



Merry Christmas



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Ten Cents



THE ALERT EXPRESSIONS on the faces of these two Contra Costa County youngsters at Weimar Sanatorium may be due to their realization that Santa Claus on Christmas Day will give them and the other young children there many presents from the Weimar Juniors and that the teen-age patients will receive gifts from the Women for Weimar. These local groups, through the active cooperation of Brownies, Girl Scouts and Cub Scouts, are responsible for taking care of the recreation needs of all the 58 youthful patients, of whom about 14 are from Contra Costa County.

Santa's Station Wagons from This Area Deliver Yule Gifts to Kids at Weimar

Using two station wagons as "Santa's sleighs," five women from the Women for Weimar and the Weimar Juniors yesterday transported tangible Christmas cheer, in the form of many gifts, to the 58 younger children and teen-agers at Weimar Sanatorium. On Saturday, Christmas Day, a properly red-and-white garbed and white-bearded Santa Claus will distribute the many presents from the Cub Scouts, Brownies and Girl Scouts of this community. The gifts were delivered to the younger children's and teen-agers' wards at the tuberculosis sanatorium near Auburn by Mrs. Lloyd F. Farrar and Mrs. H. H. Bridwell of the Women for Weimar and Mesdames Ernest Fernsten, Abe Doty and Arthur Henry of the Weimar Juniors.

New Officers to Be Elected Monday By Association

Orinda Association officers for 1955 will be elected Monday night at Orinda School library, President Zach Montgomery announced yesterday. The present board and the four newly elected directors will meet at 7:30 p. m. Discussion of the planning and zoning problem is also on the agenda, according to Montgomery. TO BE ELECTED are a president, vice-president and secretary. The four recently chosen directors will assume their duties as of January 1. They are Caroline P. Harrison, Frederic A. Sawyer, A. M. Arighi and Clinton T. Hallsted. They and the five holdover directors, together with Montgomery as outgoing president, will constitute the 1955 board. ANNE SANFORD this week announced her resignation as secretary of the Civic Affairs Committee, effective at the January 17 Civic Affairs meeting. Fred Fox is 1955 chairman of Civic Affairs.

Several Thefts Reported in Orinda

A rash of thefts involving cars and homes was reported this week in Orinda. A car, now found, was stolen and two were burglarized. Prowlers and thieves entered one home to take valuables and several others were ransacked. THE STOLEN CAR belonged to M. B. Lijja of 143 Camino Don Miguel. His daughter Jan had parked the vehicle Saturday afternoon while visiting a friend, Judy Miner of 14 Las Cascadas. When Miss Lijja returned five minutes later, the car was gone. The theft had been made by crossing ignition wires. The car was discovered parked a block away from the Miner residence Monday afternoon by Judy Miner. No damage was reported, but \$2 or \$3 was missing from the glove compartment, according to Mrs. Lijja. JEWELRY, KEEPSAKES and a shotgun were reported missing from the home of A. H. Ward, 469 Manzanita Drive, last Friday. The Ward family reported the items were taken at an earlier time, but that they weren't discovered to be missing until Friday. The items included a diamond ring, diamond cluster pin, child's pearl bracelet, man's wrist watch, a cigarette holder and a 12-gauge shotgun. Ward said he has been unable yet to determine the total cash value. Constable Clinton Jones and his

Permit Granted For Fire House 3

A land use permit for Orinda Fire Station 3, to be built on a half-acre site at the corner of Honey Hill Road and Via Las Cruces, was granted by the County Planning Commission Tuesday night. Associate County Planner George Brenner explained yesterday that a land use permit is not now required, but that when currently pending changes in the Zoning Ordinance are effected, such permits will be required for fire houses. Even though this will not apply to the new Orinda fire house site, the Board of Supervisors thought it a good idea for this matter to clear through the Planning Commission, Brenner said. The Orinda Fire District recently purchased the site from St. Stephen's Episcopal Church for \$4250.

ECCJC Part-Time Classes to Resume

The East Contra Costa Junior College program for part-time students will begin a new 10-week session, starting Monday night, January 10, it was announced today. Among the 66 courses to be offered, three will be new, following confirmation by the board of trustees. The Ward theft and the reports on the other homes entered follow by a week the theft of a milk stole from the home of C. E. Duncan, 95 Camino Encinas. Mrs. Duncan reported her stole taken December 12. A CAR BELONGING to Ed Turk was broken into last Saturday night while it was parked on Irving Lane. Upon leaving a party, Turk discovered someone had jimmied the small window on the driver's side, had entered the car and taken his wife's purse. The purse contained between \$70 and \$80, keys and papers, Turk reported. Sheriff's officers investigated immediately. Mrs. J. F. O'Connor of 222 Hall Drive lost \$20 worth of Christmas gifts from her unlocked car Saturday evening while it was parked in the lot next to Sprouse-Reitz store, she reported to the Sheriff's Office.

Parking District Hearing Put Over Until January 11

A public hearing on proposed Vehicle Parking District No. 1 for Orinda before the County Board of Supervisors was postponed from Tuesday until 10 a. m. January 11, after receipt of a letter written last Friday requesting the delay. The letter was written by Oakland Attorney Bestor Robinson on behalf of the Broadmoor Improvement Company, and, according to the letter, was "approved by the committee of the Orinda Chamber of Commerce which is actively interested in promoting the project."

Robinson, when contacted Saturday, said the holiday rush was the reason chamber members felt a delay would be in order. He expressed confidence that the Supervisors would act favorably on the proposed parking district when the hearing is held. The Orinda chamber moved to sponsor the district last summer. Robinson, an attorney for the Broadmoor Improvement Company, one of the parties interested in the parking district, helped draft the ordinance submitted to the Board. THE PROPOSED district, if created, would be the first in the county. It would take in the present Crossroads and Village shopping areas and would extend to Central Contra Costa Sanitary District boundaries on the west. Three unsalaried commissioners, under the chamber proposal, would be authorized to rent, buy or lease land for parking purposes and control present parking areas. The hearing January 11 will be for the purpose of considering objections to the proposed district.

Rites Held for Charles Samuels

Funeral services were held Tuesday morning for Charles H. Samuels, retired Bay Area businessman of 98 Hillcrest Road, Orinda. Mr. Samuels, 67, died Sunday in a Walnut Creek hospital. He is survived by his wife Grace of Orinda; two sons, Charles Jr., of Oakland and C. L. Van Den Heuk of San Lorenzo; a sister, Mrs. Gertrude Foff of San Mateo and two brothers, Ralph Samuels of Oakland and Isadore Smith. Mr. Samuels founded the U.C. Express and Storage Company of Oakland and Berkeley. He owned the company, which is now the Mayflower-U.C. Express and Storage Company, for 44 years. He retired two years ago. The deceased was a charter member of the Berkeley Lions Club, a member of Berkeley Lodge No. 263, F&AM, a 32nd degree Mason in Oakland Scottish Rite Bodies, a member of Aahmes Temple and was active in the Traffic Club of Oakland. The Rev. Laurence L. Cross of the Northbrae Community Church officiated at the rites for Mr. Samuels at the Little Chapel of the Flowers in Berkeley.

No Snow, Santa, But Plenty Frost

Santa may not find snow for his sleigh in Orinda, but as one shivering Christmas shopper said yesterday, "that's only 'cause it's too darn cold to snow!" A literal-minded friend took exception to these remarks. "What do you mean," he challenged his cohort, "why, it's been known to snow at a lot colder temperatures than these. As a matter of fact..." And he went off into a long discourse on Alaska, punctuating his remarks with loud blowing of the nose and an occasional snuffle. No, there won't be snow. But Santa may find some heavy frost to slide on. Rain stayed away over the past six days. Leaving room for these frisky temperatures:

	High	Low
December 16	51	30
December 17	54	32
December 18	56	30
December 19	55	32
December 20	46	32
December 21	49	29

New Site for Bus Stop Here Now Under Study

Use of an old county right-of-way on the east side of San Pablo Dam Road, south of the Christian Science Church property, as a commuter bus stop and bus-waiting shelter site appeared a definite possibility yesterday. Located across the road from the Standard Oil Company site, the small parcel is at the north side of the new side-road leading to the Santa Maria Catholic Church property and extends about 200 feet from south to north. Its width varies, being about 50 feet at the widest portion, according to Assistant County Road Commissioner George Berry. "It is large enough for the bus to pull off the road and then to make a U-turn back to the freeway," Sauer said. "It could be used for both westbound and eastbound buses."

He explained that the county had retained this right-of-way when the new side-road was built and that the land is not now being used by the county. Sauer added that Pacific Greyhound Lines representatives have also looked at the land recently. THE MATTER OF possible use of the spot for a bus stop was referred to Sauer by the supervisors last Thursday after it was brought up by James Hupp, chairman of the Orinda Association's Planning Committee. Hupp said later that Art Weatherbe, co-chairman of the service committee of the Contra Costa County Commuters Association had informed him that Greyhound would be agreeable to the site and that Weatherbe had asked him if he knew who owns the property. Hupp had the matter checked with Berry and learned that the county owns it. Sauer reported yesterday that Horace Breed of the Orinda Chamber of Commerce is also interested in the possible bus-use of the site.

Rotary Hears How Yule Is Observed In Other Nations

Orinda Rotarians learned yesterday noon how Christmas is observed in several foreign countries. The Rev. Charles Hill, vicar of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, was in charge of the program. It consisted of speeches by foreign students in this country from Germany, Austria and Ecuador. Along with the short talks, the Rotary Club engaged in singing Christmas carols. The meeting was held at the Willows. AT LAST WEEK'S meeting, wives of the Rotarians took over the club by invitation. Mrs. Mel Nielsen, wife of the president of the Lafayette Rotary, was the featured speaker. In keeping with the unorthodox, Mrs. Nielsen talked in Spanish. The only one who understood her speech, and who seemed hilariously taken by it, was Jose y Larrea, honorary student member of the club from Ecuador. Rotaryannes in charge were Janet Shirey, president; Elaine Brown, treasurer; Varine Horton, sergeant-at-arms; Edith Cappel, fellowship chairman; Lola Poli, international chairman; Margaret Popovich, song leader. Mae Morrow delivered the invocation. A SKIT, FEATURING "Georgianna" Eberhart as Eartha Kitt, was presented. The wives gave their husbands yule presents: household utensils, accompanied by broad hints for more help around the house. A "Books for the Philippines" drive has been completed by the club. The Rev. Fred Morrow reports that many good books were donated by the members. THE BOOKS WERE collected to be sent to a library in Cotabata, P.I., as a gift in the name of General Carlos Huimulo, who will speak before a county-wide observance of the Rotary International golden anniversary at a banquet in March. Members were urged to sign up for the Danville Rotary Charter Night banquet at Scottish Rite Auditorium in Oakland January 6. International President Herbert Taylor will be the speaker and will present the charter to the newly-organized Danville club. The event will be hosted by the Oakland Rotary, which will be celebrating the Rotary golden anniversary at that time.



FROM THREE SAW-HORSES, an old broom, dressmaker's dummies, burlap sacks and various other simple items this Nativity scene was created by Sunday school teachers at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Orinda. Entranced by it are, left to right, Joan Dirick, Greg Plescia, Kit Renwick, Doug Renwick, Arnold Johnson and Carolyn Johnson.

Committee Will Announce Its Selection Of Orinda's 'Man of Year' Next Week

Orinda's Man—or Woman—of the Year will be named next week. The Man of the Year Committee this week continued its study of the community activities of many Orindans during 1954. The committee's decision will be announced in next Thursday's issue of The Orinda SUN. Consisting of Dr. Ralph C. Hall, chairman; Mrs. Coleman Huntley and Mrs. Stanley A. Allen, the committee considered the nominations made by the public. ALTHOUGH THE ANNUAL Man of the Year contest is sponsored by The SUN, selection of the person to receive the honorary title is by the committee. Basis of the committee's choice will be work done for the betterment of Orinda. The person selected will receive a certificate.

Strept Infections On Increase Here

"The important streptococcal (strept) diseases are definitely on the upswing in many areas of the county," Dr. Beryl Graham, assistant health officer in charge of acute communicable disease, said today. She went on to point out that many cases have not been seen by doctors, thus the actual number of cases is undoubtedly higher than those reported to the County Health Department. Scarlet fever is the streptococcal disease we hear most about, but any strept infection is important, she said. Serious cases of kidney involvement (glomerulonephritis) and rheumatic heart disease are also resulting from failure to treat infections. Anyone having a persistent sore throat, especially when accompanied by a rise in temperature should consult his doctor promptly. If these symptoms are accompanied by a body rash it is even more likely to be serious. Modern treatment can cure strept, but if kidney or heart involvement arises treatment is still not rapidly effective.

SUN Papers Again Will Be Earlier; Deadlines, Too!

Next week The SUN and SUN Shopping News will again come out earlier than usual, necessitating earlier deadlines. The reason is the New Year's holiday. The SUN Shopping News will be distributed Wednesday instead of Thursday. The SUN will be issued Thursday instead of Friday. Deadline for all display advertising is 5 p. m. Monday. Classified advertising deadline is Tuesday noon, with "Too Late to Classify" ads accepted until 1:30 p. m. News for The SUN — with the exception of "last-minute" developments — should be turned in not later than Monday, if possible. After next week, deadlines and press schedules will return to normal.

Lot Size Is Major Question in Moraga

Conferences between the County Planning Commission's technical staff and Utah Construction Company representatives will be held in an effort to resolve differences over proposed zoning of Utah Company property and other land in the Moraga Valley area.

This was decided at a public hearing last Friday afternoon before the Planning Commission in Martinez.

MAIN DIFFERENCES between the Utah Company and the county planning staff, according to Brenner, revolve around lot sizes and shopping areas.

"Frank Draeger wants most of the lots to be the smallest he can get — 7200 square feet," Brenner said. "Our thinking is that the zoning should be for larger lots where the land is steeper."

"Regarding shopping, Utah proposed the other 4000-plus acres near Rose Heights, one near St. Mary's College, one near Lincoln Estates and one just north of Rheem Center.

"We feel that some of these are too large as proposed and that a large one near the Rheem Center would be unnecessary."

"NOTHING DEFINITE" was decided. It is hoped that the differences can be ironed out in conference."

Draeger represents Wilson Engineering Company, planning engineers for Utah Company's projected "model community" in the area.

Utah Company's proposals are for 200 acres for commercial use, surrounding Moraga townsite; 100 acres for light industry south of the townsite and the remainder for residential use with 7200-square-foot minimum lot sizes and with some 10,000-square-foot lots in hilly sections.

The county planning staff's proposals for the other 4000-plus acres include residential zones of 15,000-square-foot and 10,000-square-foot parcels.

No date has been set for a conference, Associate County Planner George Brenner said yesterday. THE HEARING was closed. Last Friday's session was the third on the problem of zoning more than 10,000 acres.

"Two hearings were held a couple of years ago," Brenner explained. "At that time the Rheem property was rezoned, but action on the rest of the land was held up."

A year ago Utah Construction Company purchased some 5000 acres from Moraga Land Company and announced plans for development of a city of 25,000 people.

Under consideration by the commission now are Utah's proposals for zoning of 3325 acres of this property.

"The rest of the Utah Company land is already zoned," Brenner said.

Also currently under consideration are proposals of the county planning staff for zoning of over 4000 acres in the Moraga School District and the southeast portion of the Lafayette School District.

DRAEGER and Richard Weske, construction superintendent for Utah Company, said last week actual planning for construction awaits development of state plans for the projected Shepherd Canyon Freeway.

"To build in there now would be building a city at the end of a cul-de-sac," Draeger said.

He added that his office is still working on contour maps which will be completed about the middle of 1955. These contour maps, he explained, are preliminary to drafting of a master plan.

The company's program is "some distance in the future," Draeger stressed.

Included in the over-all map being considered by the Planning Commission and its technical staff are 405 acres owned by St. Mary's College.

Orindan Injured In Car Crash

Harvey G. Smith of 63 Orinda Highway received injuries of an undetermined nature Saturday morning when his car collided with another driven by Ray E. Great-house of 2371 Market Street, San Pablo, according to the State Highway Patrol.

The accident occurred on Arnold Industrial Highway west of Alhambra Street near Martinez.

Driver Greathouse was cited for driving on the wrong side of the road and for not carrying a proper drivers' license.

Commuters Hit 'East Bay Transit District' Plan

The Contra Costa County Commuters Association went on record Monday strongly opposing formation of a separate East Bay Municipal Transit District as proposed by the Alameda-Contra Costa Transit Committee.

The association voiced its opposition at a State Senate Interim Committee hearing in Oakland City Hall. The hearing was held to determine what effect this proposal might have on the current nine-county transit plan.

Leroy W. Sowers, association president, stated that "the so-called 'Alameda-Contra Costa Transit Committee' does not represent Contra Costa County, except for a portion of the City of Richmond."

"FORMATION of a separate district in the East Bay cities would be contrary to public interest," Sowers said.

"It would isolate Contra Costa County as well as the City of Vallejo and Mare Island from the balance of the nine counties in the Bay Area Rapid Transit Commission plan," he declared.

Sowers said that at present there are more than 35,000 persons who commute by car and approximately 1700 bus passengers who travel to Oakland or San Francisco every day from Central Contra Costa County.

"WITHIN THE next 15 years, experts have predicted that these figures will be doubled," he said. "The Commuters Association feels that these commuters from the Orinda - Lafayette - Walnut Creek - Concord area should have a vote in the formation of a transit district."

Sowers said that the association subscribes firmly to the policies and actions of the San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit Commission with regard to an areawide transit plan.

This plan includes the nine Bay Area counties.

"The so-called 'Alameda-Contra Costa Transit Committee' wants the State Legislature to pass a bill making possible the creation of an East Bay Municipal Transit District," Sowers said. "Such a district would serve only the area currently covered by the Key System."

Sowers expressed the views of the association at the committee meeting and also went on record for the group in a letter addressed to State Senator Gerald J. O'Gara, chairman of the Senate Interim Committee on Bay Area Rapid Transit.

800 Kids Attend Rotary Yule Fest

Kindergarten through third grade students from Orinda schools — about 800 altogether — enjoyed themselves Saturday morning at the fifth annual Rotary Club children's Christmas party.

The party was held at Orinda Theater.

Free cartoon movies, toys and packs of apples, peanuts and cookies were dispensed to the youngsters by Santa Claus, George Eberhart, Merle Brown, Ben Randall, Ramsay Underwood, Stan Allen, Stan Massie, Leighton MacGregor, Roberson Smith, Herbert Hauser, Maynard Buehler and Frank Shirey.

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Around Orinda

By JANE CAMPBELL
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Orinda social circles which have been revolving around the yule season reach their climax this weekend with the advent of Christmas.

PRE-CHRISTMAS PARTIES

Pre-holiday hosts in this area were the Don Woodcocks who recently entertained the Al Pedersons of Los Altos, Dave Smiths of El Cerrito, Bill Turners of Berkeley, and the Elliotts, Roses, Ed Wilfords, Dick Bottlers and Gary Garrisons of Orinda.

The J. M. Speyers also have been entertaining their friends.

The Jack Millers, Oscar Johnsons, Clarence Stanleys and P. Petersons (all of Walnut Creek), and the John Catalanes of Orinda, were December guests for cocktails and dinner.

Guests at another recent dinner party given by the Speyers were the Ernest Haynes, Elliotts, Roses and Ed Wilfords, all of Orinda.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Currie had a December dinner party for a group of friends.

The guests were the Bill Duncans of Oakland, and the Mac Chapmans, Ed Winthers, Wally Ammons, Work Wagers, Al Johnsons and Jack Everetts, all of Orinda.

The Ernest Haynes served Tom and Jerries last Saturday night to the Ed Wilfords and J. M. Speyers of Orinda and the Robert Frosters, Rolf Schoenweillers and Don Costellos of Oakland.

The Inland Valley Association held a Christmas Open House Monday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Fitzgerald on Lavinia Court.

Committee members in charge of arrangements included Mrs. Andrew Wolfe, Mrs. William Cooper, Mrs. Frank Jones and Mrs. Fitzgerald.

CHRISTMAS GUESTS

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Gregg will have as their Christmas house guest Miss Dorothy Gregg, Miss Gregg, who is Paul's sister, is a teacher at the Francis Parker School in San Diego.

Mr. and Mrs. Wally Riddell's holiday house guests will be Mr. and Mrs. R. K. Conaway of Pittsburg, Pa. The Conaways are the parents of Mrs. Riddell.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stewart expect Mrs. Stewart's sister from Long Beach for Christmas. And Mr. and Mrs. Tom Howard will entertain Mrs. Howard's parents, the Albrechts from Klamath Falls, Ore.

HOME FROM ORIENT

Mrs. William Lincoln of Kitiwake Road just returned from a trip by air to Tokyo, Hong Kong and Siam.

YERBA BUENA GUESTS

Mr. and Mrs. James Dupuis were guests of Commander and Mrs. Frederic Kellogg on Yerba Buena Island over a recent weekend. Commander Kellogg is the newly arrived executive officer of Treasury Island. Mrs. Kellogg is James' sister.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Louis are planning a cocktail party for 70 of their friends and neighbors. The party is to be held Sunday.

The Paul Greggs, Norman Millers, and Jack McCafferys are planning a New Year's Eve in the snow. Cal-Neva and Squaw Valley are their destination.

Quarry Procedure Hearing Will Be Resumed Jan. 4

Public hearing on recommendations of the County Planning Commission for land use permit procedures in connection with quarries, gravel pits and junk yards and for plans for controlled manufacturing districts in unincorporated areas was opened by the Board of Supervisors December 14 and was continued to 10 a.m. January 4.

Edward M. Rowland of Lafayette, president of the Planning League of Contra Costa County, told the supervisors he believes that quarry, gravel pit and junk yard applications should be automatically referred to the county road commissioner and his traffic engineer.

Frank Lieb, president of the Alhambra Valley Improvement Association, asked that the hearing be continued.

Others who spoke were Timothy Brown of Pittsburg, a junk yard operator, and George Viers of Pacheco.

The Planning Commission has recommended that the commission be the final authority in issuance of permits for quarries, gravel pits and junk yards.

Church Guild Elects Officers

The Women's Guild of Orinda Community Church, meeting in Fellowship Hall recently, elected officers for 1955. These include: President, Mrs. Douglas L. Watkins; vice-president, Mrs. William Morley; recording secretary, Mrs. W. M. Brobeck; corresponding secretary, Mrs. P. B. Dawson; treasurer, Mrs. Donald P. Krotz.

PROGRAM CHAIRMAN, Mrs. E. P. Wayne; membership, Mrs. Ralph Phelps; devotional chairman, Mrs. Lance Barden; thank offering, Mrs. Leon Carroll; kitchen supervisor, Mrs. Fred Twining; commissioner, Mrs. A. C. Ramsey; philanthropy, Mrs. W. J. Davis; ways and means for Spring party, Mrs. F. Guarnieri; ways and means for June luncheon, Mrs. T. S. Sanford; auditor, Mrs. John Gilmore; adviser, Mrs. Fred Twining.

Nominating chairman, Mrs. Charles Blue; nominating committee members, Mesdames Richard Hafner, E. A. Dawson, W. M. Brobeck and Joseph R. Creighton.

The Guild's meeting, held December 7, opened with a hot luncheon served amid yule surroundings. On each table was a Christmas arrangement.

MRS. ROBERT BROWN, outgoing president, introduced Mrs. Lance Barden, who, in turn, introduced Mrs. Henry Harris. Mrs. Harris read an original poem by her friend, Mrs. Grace N. Crowell, on taking time in the pre-Christmas days for quiet reveries.

Mrs. John Ogden gave from memory the Bible's story of the Nativity.

Christmas folk songs and carols were sung by choir members led by Mrs. Dan Popovich and accompanied by Mrs. G. P. Eberhart.

Guest speaker Mrs. Dallas Gladson gave an inspirational reading on the story of the birth of Christ, supplemented by carols sung by ten soloists.

MRS. BARDEN then gave a prayer for Mrs. Krotz because of her recent loss. This was followed by the collection of a memorial fund for Roberta Krotz.

Orinda Girl Belongs To Yule Aid Group

Barbara Lou King, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George E. King, 12 Scenic Drive, is on a committee which has spearheaded a project to bring Christmas to needy families. It is announced by the College of Holy Names in Oakland.

Barbara is a junior at the Catholic school.

Orinda Here and There...

By ORINDA MOTHERS CLUB

VARIE HARMON, who was welcomed to the Del Rey area recently at a morning coffee party, in turn honored two of her adjacent neighbors who have just moved into lovely new homes on El Camino Moraga.

The many neighbors gathered at the Harmon home enjoyed meeting Helen Hoffman and Barbara Over. Helen, with her husband, Kenneth, and two children, Pamela, 9, and Roddy, 6, abandoned San Francisco for our more unsophisticated, earthy suburban living.

Barbara and her husband, Philip Oyer, moved all of two blocks from their previous residence on Moraga Highway to their new home. The Oyers have a small daughter named Debby.

SANTA CLAUS arrived at all Orinda schools the last day before Christmas vacation from a week's vacation in Southern California.

The Del Rey school, the Moraga Del Rey Association presented the school with a magnificent Christmas tree for all to enjoy in the office window.

Other gifts presented by this energetic group are becoming more in evidence as their growth brings beauty to the landscaped areas of the school.

Christmas might be almost here, but without a sparkling blanket of snow covering the countryside it just doesn't seem so to the newly-arrived Richard Myers' of Don Gabriel Way.

THEY HAIL from the vigorous climate of Massena on the St. Lawrence River in upper New York State, and are here with their three children, Judy, 14, Richard, 13, and Paul David, 8, to make Orinda their new home.

The Wayne Bentleys of Owl Hill Road recently returned from a week's vacation in Southern California.

for Mrs. Dorothy, Wayne and daughter Karen visited Dorothy's mother, Mrs. E. G. Derby of Los Angeles, over the Thanksgiving holiday.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON AN APPLICATION FOR A LAND USE PERMIT

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED, that on Wednesday, January 5, 1955, at the hour of 7:30 P.M. of said day, in the meeting room of the Administration Building, corner of Pine & Escobar Streets, Martinez, Calif., THE BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT WILL consider the application of Garthwick Inc. for a permit for 10 ft. set back & 5 ft. side yard as provided under THE ZONING ORDINANCE of the COUNTY OF CONTRA COSTA.

The property above referred to is described as follows, to-wit: A portion of Lot 247, Hacienda Del Orinda, fronting 122 ft. on the north side of Camino Sobrante approx. 200 ft. west of La Espiral.

J. P. CONNORS, Chairman of Contra Costa County Planning Commission
O-469, Orinda Sun, Dec. 24, 1954.

FINANCIAL WORRIES

need not be added to personal grief.

Utilize HULL & SONS' Pre-Need-Trust Fund

YOU pay in monthly installments or as one amount. Monies are deposited by Hull & Sons in a recognized local savings and loan association, with interest paid to you so that when need arises funds are at hand.

The Rite Chapel of the Flowers

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THIS CHRISTMAS SCENE, decorating the yard of the Robert Youngs, is being seen by literally thousands of passers-by. It is located at 1565 Oakland Boulevard, Walnut Creek, and is lighted at night.

Justice Bray Re-Elected Scout Leader

Justice A. F. Bray, Martinez, was re-elected president of the Mt. Diablo Council Boy Scouts of America, and five outstanding youth leaders were honored by being awarded the coveted Silver Beaver at an annual dinner at the Richmond Memorial Auditorium Saturday, December 11.

The largest crowd in the Council's history attended the dinner, and watched George Harding, chairman of Region 12, from Palo Alto, install Judge Bray for his fifth term in the Council's top position.

ALSO RE-ELECTED to the offices they have held this past year are vice-presidents Edwin S. Pillsbury, Berkeley; Duncan A. Currie, El Cerrito; and Warren C. Buchanan, Pittsburg; Council Commissioner Charles K. Parker, Richmond, and Council Treasurer Wallace S. Wood of Berkeley.

Members elected to the National Council include the officers mentioned above, as well as Ralph Hall, of Orinda; Tom Milan, Antioch; J. Harold Platt, Berkeley; Jo A. Shockey, Concord; and E. W. Thrall, Berkeley.

Seventeen distinguished service statutes were presented to the following: Robert H. Johnson, Charles H. Warner, and H. P. Saugman, Berkeley; Charles H. Binkley, El Cerrito; David S. Wilson and Lewis Johnson, Concord; Joe M. Goni, Crockett; Mrs. C. R. Walbridge, Brentwood; William F. Gallagher, Martinez; Thomas F. Mika, Orinda; Glenn T. Gleason, Walnut Creek; C. R. Turner, Lafayette; Horace P. Aiello, Pittsburg; Harold Alt, William Lawrence, and Anson Butler, Richmond, and Joseph Felix, Pittsburg.

AWARDS FOR life-saving, from the National Council of Honor, were presented to a Cub Scout and two Boy Scouts. They are Roger Farquhar, Berkeley; Charles Carson White, Walnut Creek; and Eddie Rough, Pittsburg. Their quick thinking and exemplification of the Boy Scout Motto, "Be Prepared," resulted in the saving of lives from

Skywatchers Man Area Post During One-Week Alert

The Lafayette Ground Observer Corps Post was called upon to participate in an alert from December 10 to last Thursday to test the effectiveness of the Ground Observer Corps.

Instructions were given to Mrs. Isabelle Salisbury, post supervisor, by First Lieut. George Wright, Division of Field Training, 4772 GOC Detachment.

Mrs. Salisbury praised the fine spirit of the many skywatchers who manned the post in spite of road conditions which made it difficult or impossible to reach the post by car.

THE REPORT FROM the Oakland Filter Center concerning the outcome of the alert was being awaited this week by the local post, which serves the area from Orinda to Walnut Creek and south to Moraga.

Twenty members of the Lafayette post, accompanied by Technical Sergeant Charles Blakesley of the Oakland Filter Center, took a conducted tour of Hamilton Air Force Base recently.

They were shown how flights of all planes expected in this area are plotted, and witnessed the landing of jet planes using parachute brakes.

Of special interest was the Interceptor Squadron, which gets into the air within seconds of receiving a warning.

SKYWATCHERS ON THE tour were: From Orinda—Elaine Tatro and Gladys Borden; from Walnut Creek—Mrs. Louise Gavey and granddaughter, Sally Gavey; Mrs. Esther Foreman and children, Janice and Byron, and Bob Dodd; from Lafayette—Larene Blumenfeld, Marianne Righetti, Bernice Jones, Isabelle Salisbury, Joan Westphal, Henry Laney, Michael Donovan, William Curtis, Herb Hudson, Matthew Harrison and George Brackett and his son, Glenn.

More volunteers are needed to keep the Lafayette post manned, according to Mrs. Salisbury.

Sewer Resolutions For Two Districts Passed by Board

Directors of Central Contra Costa Sanitary District Thursday night passed resolutions of intention to sewer an area of about 180 lots extending along Tice Valley Creek a mile south of Walnut Creek, and to sewer a 90-lot area between Glorietta Boulevard and Valley View Drive in Orinda.

The first resolution, on Local Improvement District No. 29, had been held over for final action on December 2.

THE OBJECTION of Dan Lynch, one of the property owners in the LID, was withdrawn after Lynch received assurances his property could be sewered.

A public hearing on the second resolution — for the Orinda LID 31 — was set for January 13.

Work on the proposed new LID ties in with a request made recently by County Road Commissioner Victor Sauer.

Sauer had asked the Sanitary District to try to put in the main sewer line for the LID on Moraga Highway before the April beginning of road improvement on the stretch.

The directors therefore authorized engineering surveys and LID proceedings December 2 for presentation at Thursday's meeting of the board. The resolution of intention to do the sewerage was passed, with public hearings to come later.

HOMEOWNERS FROM Moraga Knolls, which is included in the LID as it is presently constituted, were at the Thursday meeting to object to being included.

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Board Combines Road, Surveyor County Offices

The offices of county road commissioner and county surveyor were consolidated, effective at noon January 2, by the Board of Supervisors Tuesday, with Road Commissioner Victor W. Sauer named to head the combined office.

Deputy Surveyor C. G. Smith will serve as deputy in charge of surveying work.

Board action, on recommendation of County Administrator D. M. Teeter, followed presentation of a joint letter from Frederick C. Kracke, executive vice-president of the General Contractors Association of Contra Costa County, and Harry Morrison, executive director of the Contra Costa County Taxpayers Association.

PRESENTED BY Jack Marchant of the Contractors Association, the letter agreed to the consolidation, provided that:

1. The deputy under the county road commissioner — surveyor be given authority to act promptly on surveying matters.

2. Compensation for the deputy's job be commensurate with the job's importance.

The letter explained that the boards of both the Contractors Association and the Taxpayers Association had agreed on approval of the consolidation, with these provisions.

SAUER SAID YESTERDAY that Smith, as his deputy, will have immediate charge of surveying matters.

Last week the supervisors deferred action on the consolidation proposal, following receipt of a letter of objection from the Contractors Association.

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IMPRESSIVELY BEAUTIFUL on the hilltop back of Orinda School, the new \$220,000 Santa Maria Catholic Church building will open tomorrow night with a concert of sacred music at 11:30, to be followed at midnight by the Christmas High Mass. The new building has been under construction since April by contractors F. J. Federighi and A. T. Beckett. Architect is Martin J. Rist of San Francisco.

— SUN Photo by Mattson

Quake Felt in Area, but Little Alarm

Either local area residents are sound sleepers or they simply take earthquakes in stride, if Thursday night's rocker is any indication.

A check with local fire departments gave little indication of alarm on the part of citizens in Orinda, Lafayette and Walnut Creek.

ORINDA FIRE STATION received only six calls about the quake, which occurred at 11:09 Thursday. Lafayette firemen reported only one inquiry and Walnut Creek none.

However, scattered reports did show it was noticed. One man on Orchard Road in Lafayette reported that his "house seemed to move from side to side — once each way."

A lady living in the vicinity of

Reliez Valley and Springhill Roads said she felt "a definite sharp jarring and shaking and I heard dishes rattle."

THE SHOCK brought a mild disorder at the bi-weekly meeting of the Central Contra Costa Sanitary District directors in Walnut Creek. In the middle of a discussion on sewer problems, the quake jolted the 20 persons in attendance.

Talk ceased. The room swayed rather violently for a few seconds. Chairs were scraped back. By the time someone could mutter "Earthquake," the swaying subsided, and the discussion went on.

University of California Assistant Seismologist W. C. Marion estimated the quake had a force of 3.8 on the Richter scale of 10.

Heart Disease Risk Reported

The risk of dying from heart and blood vessel diseases has gone up nearly 25 per cent among middle-aged men in the past generation, down about by the same amount for women 45-65, Mrs. Walter A. Freeman Jr., secretary of the Contra Costa Heart Association, revealed today.

Mrs. Freeman added that 47 per cent of the total deaths in Contra Costa County are from heart diseases.

Half of all 1953 U.S. deaths were caused by heart diseases. Over 90 per cent of these 794,000 deaths came from hardening of the arteries or high blood pressure, with winter the worst season.

"Old age" doesn't cause heart disease, stated Mrs. Freeman, as one-third of all heart disease deaths occurred before 65, and more than 25 per cent of all 25-44 age deaths were due to heart trouble. More than nine million Americans of all ages have some form of heart disease.

An apparent increase in the heart disease death rate since 1900 is really due to improved public health and more accurate diagnosis and classification. People used to die young from epidemic diseases, now under control.

Doctors can now detect heart and blood vessel disease masquerading as something else. Actually, because of fewer rheumatic heart deaths, heart disease mortality for those under 45 has decreased sharply over the last 30 years, Mrs. Freeman added.

Reality Mark breakfast at 8 a.m. Monday in El Nido Rancho, Lafayette.

Edward Clay, vice president of Contra Costa Park and Recreation Council, will be the speaker.

Patrol Vows Jail To Be the Fate Of Drunk Drivers

A stern reminder was made today to motorists: "If you drive don't drink; and if you drink, don't drive."

Because, said Captain Russell R. Magill, "Any drunk driver found in Contra Costa County will go to jail."

Magill, of the county office of the State Highway Patrol, made the statement in discussing holiday traffic problems in the county.

To those who claim they can handle a car well even with "a few under my belt," Magill had this to say:

"It has been scientifically proven that two highballs or two bottles of beer can dull reactions, disturb vision and slow reflexes enough to create traffic accident hazards."

In an all-out effort to maintain safe highways through the holidays Captain Magill announced that every available piece of equipment will be on duty during holiday traffic peaks.

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Food Store Shoplifters to Find Extra Precautions Taken Against Their Work

This week as the holiday rush gained momentum and the weather brought out coats with roomy pockets—food store operators in the East Bay area double-checked their precautions against a seasonal increase in shoplifting.

Current precautions included conferences with law enforcement officers, committee meetings, briefing of store employees, and circularization of a detailed check-list to all members of the East Bay Grocers Association.

THE ASSOCIATION'S "shoplifting bulletin" outlines key points that aid members in detecting and apprehending food store shoplifters.

Success of local operators has drawn national recognition in trade circles. Other cities have begun to pattern their operations after methods used in this area.

'ALL INCOME LEVELS and

walks of life are represented in persons apprehended for food shoplifting," reports Merle Goddard, secretary-manager of the association.

"It continues to amaze us that for the sake of a few cents, seemingly rational people will expose themselves to prosecution, a permanent police record and the resultant loss of self respect and community standing," Goddard observed.

AAUW Yule Gift Will Benefit Japan Orphanage

A mission orphanage in Japan has been designated as the recipient of the gift the Walnut Creek Branch of the American Association of University Women makes annually in honor of Christmas.

The orphanage and school were made known to local members by the presence in Japan of one of their members, Mary Cherok, wife of Lt. Nicholas Cherok, USN.

Mrs. Cherok is now returning to the United States to live, but while she was in Japan she taught in the mission school for 600 children, which is operated by Australian nuns, stationed there for life.

Since day students are also accepted, Mrs. Cherok's son, Mike, has been a pupil there, as are children of other military personnel.

The children who live at the orphanage are refugees from Korea and Russia, and some abandoned by GI fathers.

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Sacred Concert, Mass Will Open Santa Maria Church

With a half-hour concert of sacred music and the celebration of the Christmas High Mass at midnight, the new \$220,000 Santa Maria Catholic Church building on the hilltop back of Orinda School will be opened tomorrow night, Christmas Eve.

Starting at 11:30, the concert will be performed by Robert Bold, organist, and the choir, directed by Eda Scatena Lippi.

CHOIR MEMBERS are Mesdames Rose Conrad, Marie Brown, Rosita Boyen, Elaine Scollard, Marie Phillips, Lucia Chiglieri, Frances Collins, Jane Catterton, Lillian O'Connell, George McClure, Genevieve Bonington and Alice Warren; Misses Janet Morris and Mary Margaret Bonington, and Messrs. Earl Boles, Lloyd Ghiglieri, A. Scollard, Ed Lorenzatti, John Maddison, Lloyd O'Connell, Jack Rechente, Charles Ferreira and W. Gaffney.

Numbers to be sung include "Joy to the World," "First Noel," "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear," "Silent Night," by Franz Gruber, "Adeste Fideles," "Prayer to the Virgin," and "The Virgin's Cradle" by Meredith Patton, "Jesu Bambino" by Pietro Yon, with solo by Lloyd Ghiglieri, and "Canticle de Noel," with solo by Ghiglieri.

MIDNIGHT Mass, the Christmas High Mass will be celebrated by Father David J. Harrington, and the choir will assist by singing the following numbers:

"Missa Redemptio nos Domine" by Vito Carnevali, with solo by Janet Morris; the Offertory, "Jubilatio Deo" by C. Aiblinger, and the Recessional, "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring" by Bach.

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Guild Section 2 Has Yule Meeting

Section 2 of the Women's Guild of Orinda Community Church held a Christmas meeting at the home of Mrs. Alfred Johnson, 21 Van Tassel Lane December 14.

The house was decorated in the Christmas theme. Assisting Mrs. Johnson were Mrs. Carl Zander, Mrs. C. J. Kuenzli and Mrs. William B. McGorum.

The program featured Mrs. A. D. (Ruth) Henry in a Christmas reading, "The Birthday," by Margaret Sangster.

Devotional leader was Mrs. John Traynor.

Mrs. Johnson, section chairman, presided at the business meeting at which the following officers for the coming year were elected:

Chairman, Mrs. Ernest Hunter; recording secretary and publicity, Mrs. Harry Noller; treasurer, Mrs. Jess Long; ways and means, Mrs. Ben Courant; program, Mrs. John Traynor; kitchen, Mrs. E. A. Dawson; membership, Mrs. L. M. Carroll, and philanthropy, Mrs. J. E. Rauch.

After the meeting, a social hour was enjoyed and Christmas gifts were exchanged.

Scout Salute...

New Troop 83

Brownie Troop 83, one of the new troops in Orinda, has been busy learning of Brownie life since the girls' investiture October 21. Mrs. Fred Follard is their leader.

Mrs. Donald Dullum is co-leader. Meetings are held at the home of Mrs. Dullum, 201 La Espiral.

Brownies are Pamela Bennet, Virginia Burde, Denise Cullen, Katie Dullum, Sandra Follard, Cheryl Foster, Gail Hayward, Betsy Merrill, Kathleen Flattery, Elizabeth Soule, Sally Sutton and Karen Kahl.

Cub Pack 212

Cubs of Pack 212 had their Christmas party at their monthly pack meeting December 10 at Fellowship Hall, with Clint Search in charge.

The cubs displayed articles they had made for the County Hospital in Martinez and for their mothers. They also displayed things they made to sell to earn money for a gift to the church and for various items for the hospital.

A DENNER From each den accompanied Clint Search and Carl Dudley to Martinez last Saturday to present the gifts.

Mike Little and Greg Adams were warmly received by the pack and Bobcats, Jay Angelo, Steve Dudley, Mike Edwards and Steve Eldridge received dinner stripes.

Greg Search, Roy Hoyer, Tim Pardini, Denny Lucas and Brian Traynor were awarded assistant dinner stripes.

Bobby Lee earned his first major award, a Wolf. Jay Angelo, Ricky Altmann and Bobby Blue received Arrow on Wolf awards. Bobby Ross and Paul Rieger received Arrow on Bear awards and Roger Roos got a Silver on Lion.

A one-year pin went to Eric Ramming.

RICHARD ANDERSON was awarded the highest achievement in Cub Scouting, the Webelos, in a candlelight ceremony by Cubmaster Carl Dudley.

Two short movies were shown: "A Visit from St. Nick" and "The Littlest Angel."

The meeting closed with the singing of Christmas carols, after which refreshments were served.

Tea Aids Weimar

A tea honoring Juliette Low, founder of the Girl Scout movement, was held at the Orinda Scout House recently by the mothers and members of Girl Scout Troop 128.

The tea also marked the third birthday of the troop.

Refreshments, including a birthday cake with three candles and lots of ice cream, were served by the mothers while they sang "Happy Birthday" to the 20 Girl Scouts.

FESTIVITIES included completion of cutting and sewing of 20 red

Santa Maria Church building was started last April by contractors F. J. Federighi and A. T. Beckett. The L-shaped structure, on a new road called Santa Maria Way, is of stucco on wood frame, in Spanish colonial design. It has pews for more than 500 worshippers.

The life-size crucifix on the altar was carved out of linden wood by a Swiss artist. A cafeteria kitchen is in one wing of the building. This wing will be utilized as a community hall for meetings, dances and stage plays. A new rectory is at the new church.

Eventually a convent and school are planned for the site, according to Father Harrington.

The old Santa Maria Church building is on Miner Road, across from Orinda Country Club. It has served the parish for about 60 years.

Mrs. Usinger Feted At Farewell Tea

A tea was given last Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. A. K. Harmon, 4 Oak Lane, honoring Mrs. Russell Usinger who will soon be leaving Orinda.

Her husband, an industrial sales engineer of heavy machinery, has been transferred to St. Louis.

He writes that he has found a home for his family in Kirkwood, Mo., at 10 Sweetbriar Lane.

Emma, with children Barry, David and Janet, will fly next Wednesday to join him.

Enjoying the tea and presenting a goodbye gift were Mesdames Robert W. Brown, Douglas L. Watkins, Joseph Creighton, William H. Mordy, G. Chester Brown, John L. Gilmore, Lance Barden, Ralph Phelps, A. S. Hartanov, Elbert Wayne, A. J. Sassone and Fred Twining.

Snug Harbor Group Elects 1955 Officers

The Snug Harbor Association, Inc., recently elected officers for 1955.

They are: Sterling Smith; vice-president, William Douglas; treasurer, Pat Butler; secretary, Mrs. Richard Deibert; directors, Thomas Culbertson, Mrs. Hilbert Seiwert and Norman Miller.

The election meeting was held December 6 at the Seiwert home, 27 Bobolink Road.

Mrs. Abreu's Son Serving in Japan

Private Nicholas W. Schneider, son of Mrs. Ruth Abreu, 102 Hillcrest Drive, Orinda, recently arrived in Japan and is serving with the 1st Cavalry Division.

Schneider is a member of Battery A of the division's 99th Field Artillery Battalion. He entered the Army last May and completed basic training at Camp Chafee, Ark.

felt Christmas stockings, which were later filled with Christmas gifts. Each of the girls in the troop has "adopted" for Christmas one of the tuberculous children now undergoing treatment at Weimar Sanatorium.

These stockings, made and filled with gifts by the scouts, are being delivered to the sanatorium this week and will be presented to the children on Christmas morning.

"**MAYBE OUR** little remembrances will help these children get well, and we hope all of them will be able to be home for Christmas next year," were the words expressed for the troop by Janet Lucas, one of the scouts, to Mrs. B. O. Wilson, chairman of the patient services committee of the Contra Costa Tuberculosis and Health Association.

Christmas means a lot to all of us kids, and we don't want those children to be left out. We want to do all we can."

Mrs. Mary Loveland is leader of the troop.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

JIMMY MADISON son of Mr. and Mrs. John Madison of Van Ripper Lane, celebrated his third birthday last Saturday. His guests were Janelle and Gayle Hussey, Marilyn Schroeder, Timmy Howard, Greg Louis, Jimmy Moore and his sister Patty.

VINNIE GILBERT 50 Hacienda Circle turned nine on December 2.

The following day her friends came home from school with her to help her celebrate. Ice cream, cake and games were enjoyed for the next two hours. Christmas colors were used for decorations and small wooden angels were taken home as favors.

Vinnie's guests were Cassandra Coates, Terry Coleman, Cheryl Wilson, Cherie Jackson, Carol Cornforth, Susan Trimble, Lois Moxnus, Sharon Bray, Janice Renaldi, Julie Newman, Mary Ann Hansen and Vinnie's younger sister Joan.

DAVID DENNING son of the J. M. Dennings of Longridge Road, celebrated his sixth birthday by asking 12 of his friends for dessert and the theater. Thanksgiving decorations were used at the attractive table.

David's guests were his two brothers, Jimmy and Robert, Kirk Adams, Lane Wilkinson, Tommy Gardner, Kevin Smith, Robert Bardell, Mary Anne and Wally Rudolph, Kit Seaman and Tommy Plumb.

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PROUD YOUNG LADY is 2½-year-old Naomi Sinai, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. William W. Sinai of 56 Orchard Road, Orinda. Not only did she sit in President Eisenhower's chair at Palm Springs last winter, but, more recently, she received a kiss and a letter from "Ike." Her father took this picture of her in the President's chair at Palm Springs. The other chair, with the name "Mamie" on it, is, of course, Mrs. Eisenhower's.

For Naomi--Kiss, Letter from 'Ike'

A young lady living in Orinda proudly claims the honor of having been kissed by the President of the United States. And she recently received a letter from the White House.

Naomi Sinai, 2½-year-old daughter of Dr. and Mrs. William W. Sinai of 56 Orchard Road, was in Los Angeles late in October with her mother and aunt, Mrs. Charles Sinai, the same day that President Eisenhower was in that city on a speaking engagement. However, they were not aware that the President was also a guest at the Statler Hotel until they saw him emerge from the elevator.

They watched him, surrounded by security police, proceed through the lobby. Then, just as he came opposite Naomi, she piped, "Bye, Eisenhower." He stopped, and, catching sight of the little girl, said, "Just a minute, boys," and walked over to her.

President Eisenhower picked her up in his arms, chatted a bit, then, kissing her on the hand, set her down and went on his way.

Naomi had recognized the President, having seen him last winter at the Palm Springs airport, where

she had gone with her parents to see the presidential party enplane for Washington.

During their February vacation at the desert resort, Dr. Sinai, an Oakland dentist, took several pictures of the President on the Tamarrisk golf course.

When another picture-taking expedition took the family into the grounds of the El Mirado, Naomi ran across the lawn to climb up into a large garden chair, across the back of which was a ribbon bearing the name "Ike." Beside it a like chair was labeled "Mamie."

Of course, Naomi's picture was taken, seated in the President's chair.

When the pictures turned out to be excellent and after Naomi's meeting with the President, Dr. Sinai sent copies to President Eisenhower, including a note that the little girl seated in his chair was the same he had greeted in the lobby of the Statler Hotel.

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GO TO CHURCH SUNDAY

Lutheran

A Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship Service will be held tomorrow night at 11 o'clock at Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church, Orchard Road and Moraga Highway, Orinda.

Christmas carols will be sung and the Christmas story will be read. The sermon, "Christ, the Light of the World," will be given by the pastor, the Rev. Edward R. Anderson.

A quartet—Mrs. Jack Bowers, Mrs. Mark Shepard, Tom Kling and Robert Babcock—will sing. Miss Jean Anderson will sing a solo. There will be a candlelight service of prayer and silence.

On Sunday "The Living God Revealed in Jesus" is the choral topic for the special communion service at 8 a.m. and the Christmas worship service at 11 a.m. The Junior Choir will sing Christmas carols at the 11 o'clock service.

At 4:30 p.m., Sunday, the younger children of the Sunday School will have their Christmas program and party, with song, recitation and singing worked out and directed by Mrs. Myrnes. At 7:30 p.m. the older children will reenact parts of the Christmas story for their parents and friends.

Presbyterian

Guest speaker this Sunday at the Lafayette-Orinda Presbyterian Church will be Dr. Paul White, former medical missionary to Africa and author of "Jungle Doctor Books."

The morning service takes place at 11 in the Park Theater, Lafayette, and a nursery is provided in the Lafayette Town Hall.

DR. WHITE is speaker and director of an Australian-wide radio program and general secretary of the Interservice Fellowship of Australia and New Zealand. Other guests at the service are choir members from St. Andrews Presbyterian Church, who will sing two Christmas anthems.

SUNDAY SCHOOL for beginners through high school meets in the Town Hall at 9:45. An adult class meets at the Park Theater at the same hour.

The Experimenters' Breakfast Club (for men only) meets Thursday morning at 6:45 at Pland's Restaurant, Broadway and MacArthur in Oakland.

Party Next Week

The traditional New Year's Eve party and Watch Night Service to be held next week in the Fellowship hall and chapel of Orinda Community Church were discussed and planned at a meeting of the Church Night committee Sunday.

Games and folk-dancing will open the program at 9 p.m. and will be followed by refreshments.

Sandwiches, cakes, cookies and salads suitable for serving at the "snack-bar" are to be brought by party-attenders and the committee will supplement these contributions.

The Ralph Halls, James Hupps, Luther Gulicks, Edmund Richards and Fred Morricks constitute the committee.

They state that the evening is an open one for all who like gaiety, fellowship and a suitable year-opening atmosphere for all family members.

Lutheran

Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 1035 Carol Lane, will be the scene for the traditional Christmas Eve Candlelight Service at 11 p.m. with Pastor Merle Tollefson officiating. His sermon theme is "A Light in the Window."

On Christmas morning there will be a Festival Christmas Service, the traditional family worship, with the sermon theme, "The Christmas Revelation."

Sunday morning Pastor Tollefson will preach on the theme, "The Christmas Awe." at both the 9:30 and 11 worship services.

Sunday School meets at 9:30 for grades four through high school, and 11 for pre-school through third grade.

Sunday evening at 7 the first section will present a Christmas program depicting Christmas celebrations around the world. Participating will be the fourth grade of Mrs. Fred Dietz, fifth grade of Mrs. Lewis Kummerow and Harold Larson, sixth, Mrs. Abbott-Roberts' seventh and Jay Williams and the high school group with Eugene Sahs, Dave Saenger, Robert Rupprecht, and Oliver Graham, Sunday School superintendent.

Mrs. Gus Niemann will direct the program.

Thursday morning at 10, Women's Bible Club will meet. A nursery is provided.

Episcopal

Traditional midnight service will be celebrated with choral. Holy Communion tomorrow night at St. Stephens' Episcopal Church on Via Las Cruces, Orinda, off Honeyhill Road.

Beginning at 11:15 p.m. on Christmas Eve, the St. Stephen's choir, under the direction of Donald Aird, will lead the congregation in a group of familiar and beloved carols, and will enter the choir loft with the processional hymn, "Come All Ye Faithful."

THE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE and sermon by the Rev. Charles M. Hill, vicar of the Anglican mission, will be keyed to the holy season and the needs of the congregation. Those wishing prayers for loved ones may contact Mr. Hill at Clifford 4-3771.

Two offertory anthems have been prepared by the choir for this special occasion, "Puer Natus" by Claude Means and "Glory to God in the Highest" by Pergolesi. Closing the service at 12:30 a.m., the recessional hymn will be "Hark the Herald Angels Sing."

ON CHRISTMAS DAY at 11 a.m. there will be a low celebration of Holy Communion, with no sermon or music.

On Sunday, the patronal saint

Community

Following the special unified Christmas observance at the Orinda Theater last Sunday, the Orinda Community Church will return next to the usual two services at 9:30 and 11 a.m. in the chapel on the hill.

On this final Sunday of 1954 there will be full sessions of all departments for the Sunday school.

The Rev. Fred Morrow will lead the 11 o'clock congregation in a reconsideration of the church's year-end, Second Timothy 1:12, and the 9:30 adults' class in the final discussion of "The Family of Jesus."

Margaret Hewitt, organist for the earlier hour, has announced three numbers, "Cradle Song" by Spinney, "Reverie" by Raymond and "Postlude" by Harris.

With Daniel Popovich at the organ and Mrs. Popovich directing, the choir will participate at 11, offering Bach's "Sleepers Awake."

Both youth groups will meet in the evening, Junior Pilgrim Fellowship at 5:30 and Senior P.F. at 6:45.

Covenant

A Christmas Eve service will be held in the Lafayette Covenant Church from 11 p.m. to midnight. It will be in accordance with the theme of "Keeping Christ in Christmas."

The annual congregational meeting will be held Monday at 8 p.m. A watch night service is being planned to include a social, refreshments and a devotional service to close the old year.

Sunday at 9:45 a.m. there will be Bible School; 11 a.m., morning worship; 7 p.m., evening worship.

Wednesday at 7:15 p.m. there will be choir rehearsals; 8 p.m., midweek meeting.

The Rev. G. Raymond White is pastor.

Community

Sermon topic by the Rev. Chester Lewis at both the 8:30 and 11 o'clock services of the Lafayette Community Methodist Church Sunday will be "Starting the New Year Right."

At the 8:30 service, the youth choir will sing "As Latently We Watched."

The adult choir will sing a 17th Century carol, "Sing Noel," at the 11 a.m. service.

Church School meets at 9:30 a.m. Members have decorated a 65-foot Christmas tree which stands outside the front of the church.

At 11 on New Year's Eve, a Watch Night service will be held with special music and special message.

Two Orindans Are In Law Society

Two Orindans are members of a newly-formed chapter of the Order of the Coif at UC's Hastings College of Law in San Francisco.

One of the charter members is Assistant Professor Joseph R. Creighton of 36 Moraga Via. On the list of graduates initiated December 8 was George W. Hauer of Vista Del Orinda.

The honor society is known as the Phi Beta Kappa of the legal profession. Initiates represented the top ten per cent of their respective classes dating back to 1949.

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\$535 Given to Therapy Center By Don Students

Acalanes High School student body President John Bohn presented a check for \$535 to Mt. Diablo Therapy Center officials last Friday at the annual student-teacher Christmas program.

The money represented funds contributed by Don students as the student body Christmas gift to a community service agency.

In addition to this year's contribution, Don students during the past six years have raised more than \$4000 for the purchase of Mt. Diablo Therapy Center equipment.

Santa Clara presented the check to Susan Crow, 5-year-old therapy polio patient, along with several personal Christmas gifts for Susan from Acalanes students.

Students and faculty celebrated the yuletide with a faculty skit and with music by the teachers' "German band." The students will return to school January 3.

Mrs. Chapman Hostess To Guild Section I

Section 1 of the Women's Guild of the Orinda Community Church met December 14 at 12:30 at the home of Mrs. Dwight Chapman, 416 Camino Sobrante.

Thursday, December 23, 1954

Yule Trees Of Lombardy Shine at Fest

Among the eye-catching trees on display during the recent Festival of Trees for the Children's Hospital of the East Bay were two entered by the Lombardy Branch of Orinda.

The tree festival was held in the Claremont Hotel December 9-12. Trees from all the hospital branches and friends of the hospital were entered and sold for prices ranging between \$20 and \$25. ABOUT 150 TREES were on display. Proceeds went to the hospital.

Mrs. Lloyd Hecathorn of the Lombardy Branch designed and created "Redwood Fantasy" which was 3 feet high made of branches cut of fine-grain redwood.

Dressed to the trunk, each branch was different, graduating in size to the smallest at the top and finished like interior redwood paneling.

Sprinkled on the branches were cedar cones shaped like roses, brushed with copper paint and with tink green beads placed in the center.

It was sold immediately at the top price to Holmes Eureka Lumber Company of San Francisco.

As co-leader of Brownie Troop 214, Mrs. Hecathorn also designed a tree that could be made by the girls. Using a Girl Scout theme of Peace through Friendship, the tree was titled "Hands Across the World."

It was made of 35 white gloves the girls stuffed with cotton and placed on a trunk to resemble a tree laden with snow.

Each hand wore a different ring made of tiny glued cones trimmed with pearls and jewels.

THE CALICO AND lace tree made by Mrs. Hecathorn also was made by Mrs. Hecathorn in color in the current Christmas Idea Book of Better Homes and Gardens.

The Browns were taken by their other co-leader, Mrs. Joseph Brothers, to view their tree on display at the Claremont and were thrilled with the reception it had received.

The girls are Kathy Bergeson, Christine Block, Toni Brothers, Laurie Christie, Carol Courant, Milo Anne Hecathorn, Susan Hickcox, Marcia Mjolsnes, Ginny Phair, Valerie Renwick, Marcia Rey, Susan Rochester, Vicki Schacht, Clarinda Telfer, Carol Thompson, Brenda Trounce and Lorna Wallace.

Newly elected officers were installed after the address. Included are Mrs. Virginia Richman, president, Mrs. Caroline Edson, vice-president, Mrs. Ida Carles, secretary, and Mrs. Rosemary Sherman, treasurer.

Among the guests present were Mrs. Jane Barrows of Orinda, vice-president of the northern division, and Mrs. Louise Galbraith, retiring vice-president.

Guests of members were Mrs. Lucille Bagley, Pleasant Hill, and Mrs. Helen Lundin, Mrs. Peggy Winters, Mrs. Claire Bahney, Mrs. Mary Walsh and Mrs. Jean Peck of Concord.

Members of the Contra Costa Phi Mu Alumnae held their annual Christmas pot-luck supper at the home of Mrs. Carl Deal Jr. of Orinda recently.

Proceeds from the affair will go to the philanthropic fund of the group which assists the children's ward at the Martinez County Hospital.

Mrs. Ford Tussing was hostess Friday afternoon at a holiday mother-daughter tea in her home at 1266 Upper Happy Valley Road, Lafayette.

Many of her friends and their daughters as well as Anna Head classmates of her daughter, Miss Jane Colin, and their mothers, were present.

AMONG THOSE assisting as hostesses at the party were Mesdames Thomas McGuire, Robert Brattain, Marshall Steel Jr., Frank Malley, Webster Rutledge and T. E. Tryon of Lafayette, and Mortimer Withoff, Piedmont, Charles Freytag, Oakland.

Classmates of Jane's assisting in the serving, from Lafayette, were the Misses Marianne McGuire, Barbara Henrici, Carol Sawyer and Joan Evans.

Guests from Orinda included Mrs. Thomas Nast St. Hill with daughters Linda and Mrs. Peter Ley; Mrs. Arthur Somers and Marianne; Mrs. Lonnie Bee and Dottie; Mrs. Melvin Jacobus, and Mrs. Kendrie Morrish.

FROM LAFAYETTE, besides the earlier mentioned, were Mrs. Ted Sawyer and Bobbie; Mrs. Chauncey Pond Jr. and Shelley; Mrs. Bud Dailey with Pat and Peggy; Mrs. Robert Bridges and Linda; Mrs. Raymond Tolles and

Beta's Report on Rummage Sale, Christmas Party

Regular meeting of Kappa Tau Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi was held at the home of Mrs. Norman Fratzke, Walnut Creek, December 7, Mrs. Earl Kuehla presiding.

Report on the chapter's recent rummage sale was given by Werts and Means Chairman Mrs. Herbert Minster. The sale was for the benefit of Muscular Dystrophy and was a success.

CORRESPONDING Secretary Mrs. Frank Jolly was directed to write letters of thanks to the husbands of members and local merchants who donated time and effort to the affair.

Mesdames Norman Davidson, Richard Kilgore, Robert Hamlin, Earl Kuehla who attended the Northern California Area Council Branch in Santa Rosa December 5 reported that the affair was a lovely one and enjoyed by all.

THIS BRUNCH is one of four yearly affairs. Concord Area Council is to hostess a similar affair in October, 1955, at the Diablo Country Club.

The chapter's annual Christmas party will be held at the home of Mrs. Robert Hamlin in Pleasant Hill. It is to be a buffet supper and the members will exchange gifts with their Secret Sisters.

MRS. NORMAN FRATZKE reported on the progress of the Christmas Basket Committee. The family selected this year has eight children ranging in ages of 1 1/2 years to 16 years.

Mrs. C. Le Vau and Mrs. Richard Kilgore were appointed to head decoration committee for Concord Area Council dance to be held in February at the Diablo Country Club. The four chapters in this area are members of this council.

The hostess was assisted by co-hostess Mrs. C. LeVau in serving refreshments.

Choral Group Will Serenade For Shut-Ins

The Junior Choir of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church will carol at the home of "shut-ins" of the congregation tonight. The singing will be led by Director Betsy Crothers, pianist Carolyn Young, and the choir mother, Ruth Dickson.

Members of the Junior Choir include Kim Allison, Susan Allen, Bonnie Bartels, Gladys Blodgett, Virginia Bloomfield, Judy Ann Chapman, Helen Crothers, Ruth Dickson, Estelle Diller, Diane Evans, Truane Fields, Carol Green, Susan Hansen, Georgia Harding, Shirley Hartley, Harriet Hawkins, Kathy Holt, Linda Kitts, Diane MacAlvey, Sandra Kay Mills, Mary Beth Morris, Margaret Nofrey, Vickie Ortegren, Susan Rowley, Susan Roberts, Sherry Sherrywood, Betty Lou Suggs, Linda Kay West, Susan Pleski, Geoffrey Bloomfield, Ed Bogardus, Daryl Coe, Jim Crothers, Ken Heiges and Jeff Mulenhour.

Local Woman Joins Husband in Japan

In Japan, where she recently joined her husband, a communications technician in the Navy, is Mrs. Kenneth W. Nordheim, the former Dorothy Jensen of Lafayette.

Dorothy was graduated from Acalanes High School in 1952, and later went to San Jose State College, where she met her husband.

According to Dorothy's parents, the George E. Jensens of 1533 Pleasant Hill Circle, Lafayette, the young Nordheims will be in Japan for two years.

Adult Blind Club Holds December Meet

The Contra Costa Club for the Adult Blind held its December meeting recently at Eagle's Hall in Pittsburg.

A minimum of business was transacted so the remainder of the evening could be spent in games and exchange of gifts. Refreshments were served.

The club extended a special "thank you" to the Walnut Creek chapter of the Red Cross, which furnished transportation.

Shortridges Move Into New Home

In a new home on Palomares Street, Lafayette, are Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Shortridge and their two sons, Kenny and David.

The Shortridges built their home themselves.

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NOW AT HOME TO THEIR FRIENDS in Walnut Creek is this smiling couple. He is Daniel Costa, son of Mrs. Frank G. Regello of Dewing Lane, Walnut Creek, and she is the former Lucilia Chiavini, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Virgilio Chiavini of 1730 Parkside Drive, Walnut Creek.

Katherine Elliott to Wed

Katherine Claire Elliott, daughter of Wallace F. Elliott of 12 El Pulgar, Orinda, and Mrs. Cornelia Elliott of Piedmont, will be married January 30 to John Marshall Dickenson III, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Dickenson of Santa Paula.

The wedding is to be at 7:30 p.m. in St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Oakland.

Miss Elliott has selected her attendants. Maid of honor will be Miss Elizabeth Vanderbilt of West Hartford, Conn. Bridesmaids are Miss Lois Dickenson, sister of the prospective bridegroom; Mrs. Stuart Elliott, the future bride's sister-in-law of Palo Alto; and the Misses Margot Rees and Sherrill Blessing, both of Piedmont.

Chiavini-Costa Rites Held

Lucilia Marie Chiavini of Walnut Creek became the bride of Daniel Anthony Costa of Walnut Creek in a ceremony in St. Mary's Catholic Church December 12.

Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Virgilio Chiavini of 1730 Parkside Drive, Lucilia wore a floor-length gown with a fingertip veil of lace and net. She carried a bouquet of white stephanotis surrounding an orchid and a prayer book.

Her cousin, Miss Rosi Gatti of Walnut Creek, was maid of honor and Daniel's brother, Jerome, was best man.

Christmas Advice Engagement of Miss Benes Told

The engagement of Miss Muska Benes, daughter of Bohus Benes of 39 Barbara Court, Orinda, and Mrs. Emilie Benes of Berkeley was announced recently.

Miss Benes is engaged to wed Zbigniew Brzezinski.

The father of the prospective bride was Czech Consul General in San Francisco until the 1948 Communist seizure of power in Czechoslovakia.

The former president of Czechoslovakia, the late Edward Benes, was her uncle.

Her fiancé is the son of a former Consul General of Poland in Canada. His parents live in Montreal.

Brzezinski is a faculty member at Harvard University and a research fellow in the school's Russian Research Center.

Miss Benes, a graduate of Berkeley High School and Wellesley College, now teaches art at Ten Acre School in Wellesley, Mass.

Sewing Club Will Hold Yule Party

The '42 Sewing Club, Almona Chapter 214, Order of the Eastern Star, will hold its annual Christmas Tea Wednesday at 2 p.m. at the home of Ann Moscrop, 600 Walnut Avenue, Concord.

Home for Holidays

Now home for the holidays is Charles Ostrom, visiting his mother, Mrs. E. R. Delareuelle of 1002 Juanita Drive.

Charles is a midshipman at the United States Naval Academy, Annapolis, Maryland.

AAUW Art Group To Celebrate Yule With Drama

The American Association of University Women Art Section will celebrate Christmas at 8 p.m. Monday at the home of Mrs. Charles F. B. Price Jr., 173 Arlene Drive, Walnut Creek, by presenting three dramatized Christmas stories and Christmas music.

The three playlets, all adopted from European folk stories, are "The Good Night," "Schmitzle, Schnootzle," and "Fiddler Play Fast, Play Faster."

Included in the casts are Mesdames Charles F. B. Price Jr., Dean Carlson, G. R. Imboden, Oscar Anderson, R. G. Doolin, F. A. Leibold, A. D. Reichle, E. R. Shirley and John P. Fraser.

Musical will be provided by the AAUW trio: Mrs. Price, Mrs. J. A. Perry and Mrs. C. A. Tobias accompanied by Mrs. Oscar Anderson.

Refreshments will be served under the direction of Mrs. Charles L. Offen, Art Section chairman.

Mrs. Holmstrom Celebrates Her 94th Birthday

Mrs. Geraldine Franzen of Mary Drive, Gregory Gardens, was among those who attended the dinner honoring Mrs. Anna Holmstrom of Alamo on her 94th birthday. The dinner was held at the home of the honoree's daughter, Mrs. Edna Stone in Alamo December 11, although Mrs. Holmstrom's birthday was December 9.

Others invited were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Frank and son, Concord; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Holmstrom of Oakland; Mrs. Howard Sanders, Upper Happy Valley, Lafayette; Arline Kelly of Alamo; Mr. and Mrs. Richard McBride and family of Oakland; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Holmstrom of Saranap; Barbara Gray and family of Oakland and Mrs. Evelyn Cockrell of Pasadena.

Beside these children and grandchildren, Mrs. Holmstrom has seven great-grandchildren. A pioneer resident of Oakland, she has resided with her daughter in Alamo for the past five years.

The cake marking her birthday was topped with an orchid. A Christmas motif was carried out in other decorations.

Grange Names New Officers

New officers were recently elected for the coming year by Pleasant Hill Grange.

To be installed in January are Anna L. Martin, master; Theron Beougher, overseer; Ruby Wischemann, lecturer; Mary Cullum, chaplain; Leslie Freeman, steward; Robert Doyle, assistant steward; Lolita Brown, treasurer; Maxine Kent, secretary; Vincent Lewis, gatekeeper; Hazel Lewis, Ceres; Elsie Popenhagen, Pomona; Bonnie Larabee, Flora; Ellen Freeman, lady assistant steward; and Francis Cline and Jack Kent, executive board.

Christmas parties were held last Friday night in Pleasant Hill High School for the Juvenile and Subordinate Granges.

Children to Sing At Yule Service

A traditional Christmas Eve service will be given by the Sunday School children and members of the choir of Trinity Lutheran Church of 2317 Buena Vista, at the Walnut Creek Recreation Center at 7:30 p.m. tomorrow.

The beautiful Christmas story to be told in reading and musical numbers was arranged by and will be under the direction of the pastor of Trinity, the Reverend A. L. Rubin.

The public is invited to join the members in celebrating Christmas Eve at this service.

Officers Installed By Almona

Recently installed Worthy Matron of Almona Chapter of Order of Eastern Star was Mrs. Elizabeth Entriiken Barney of Walnut Creek. The 52nd ceremonies were held in Walnut Creek Masonic Temple.

Other elected officers seated were Homer E. Briner, Martinez, Worthy Patron; Margaret Hinds, Walnut Creek, associate matron; Charles L. Marshall, Walnut Creek, associated patron; Anna Moscrop, Concord, secretary.

Louise Otto, Walnut Creek, treasurer; Alta Rosel, Walnut Creek, conductress; and Jo Marshall, Walnut Creek, associate conductress.

Serving as star points are Gertrude Werner, Lafayette, Adah; Ethel Turner, Lafayette, Ruth; Senia Jarvie, Walnut Creek, Esther; Donna Young, Walnut Creek, Martha, and Mildred Culbertson, Walnut Creek, Electa.

Marshall will be Alys Carol Ruff of Walnut Creek, retiring worthy matron. Lincoln Beck of Lafayette, retiring worthy patron, was installed chaplain.

Other appointive officers include Eleanor Ahlf, Walnut Creek, warder; Joyce French, Walnut Creek, organist; Dale Niles, Walnut Creek, sentinel; and George Ahlf, Walnut Creek, flag bearer.

Teen-Agers Will Dance Tuesday At Rec Center

It's a dividend from Santa for dancing teens! Grab your partner and come to the pre-New Year's dance at the Walnut Creek Recreation Center Tuesday at 8 p.m.

It's the preview of the season with the "Orindans" orchestra playing for festive feet in a dressed up decorated rec center guaranteed to put guys and dolls in a groovy mood.

There'll be favors, noisemakers and plenty of luscious refreshments for all fugitives from the lag between the two big holidays.

The dance is informal and all Walnut Creek area teens are invited by Bob Johnson, Exalted Ruler of the Elks, co-sponsoring the event with the Walnut Creek Recreation Commission.

Judge C. L. Thomson Notes Anniversary

Judge and Mrs. Clifford L. Thomson of 1404 Lincoln Avenue recently observed their 35th wedding anniversary.

He is judge of Walnut Creek Judicial District. The Thomsons have a married daughter, Mrs. Beverly Nelson.

Children Guests At Heidi Party

Members of Heidi Chapter of Children's Home Society held their annual Christmas Party recently at the Alamo Women's Club.

Honored guests were children of the members and their friends. Mrs. Wiley House, chairman, had planned a special program for their entertainment, including a trio of dancers from the William Hay School of the Ballet, a special reading of the story of "Heidi" by Mrs. A. C. Phelps, singing of Christmas carols led by Mrs. Van Barber, and a special surprise, the St. Bernard dog belonging to Mrs. Robert Mc-

Millan, gave the youngsters rides in his bright red wagon.

Special favors and refreshments were distributed to the guests, who all agreed this was one of Heidi's best parties.

Prior to the entertainment, Mrs. Fred Costello, president, held a short business meeting at which time she presented to Miss Frances Hickey, director of chapters and auxiliaries of the Children's Home Society, a check representing money earned by Heidi Chapter during the past year.

Miss Hickey reported that the work of the Home is increasingly successful, and that the quota of 500 children to be placed in homes, has nearly been reached. She pointed out that among the membership of Heidi, were several parents who had adopted youngsters from the Home.

Announcement was made of the husband and wife party to be held in February, Mrs. Van Barber is chairman of the event, and her co-chairman is Mrs. W. H. Smith of Danville.

University Women Greet New Members

Seven women have become the newest members of the Walnut Creek Branch of the American Association of University Women.

They are Mesdames Charles B. David, D. O. Hagen, W. G. Jeffrey, and M. K. Nielson of Lafayette; F. W. Macnell and L. D. Patton, Walnut Creek, and Mrs. H. W. Walters, Orinda.

Any woman in the area who holds an AAUW approved degree from an approved college or university is eligible for membership. Those interested are invited to call Mrs. Harold Mutnick, Atlantic 3-2658.

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Hageman Named to Heart Fund Post

The selection of Jack Hageman to serve as general chairman of the 1955 Heart Fund campaign, which is to be conducted here throughout the month of February, was announced today by Dr. Mary L. Eilert, president of the Contra Costa County Heart Association, an affiliate of the American Heart Association.

Hageman is the past president of Walnut Creek Lions Club; member of Lafayette Chamber of Commerce; is very active in civic activities that include the United Crusade, March of Dimes, Boy and Girl Scouts; and is in insurance in Lafayette since 1946.

The 1955 drive will be the fifth Heart Fund campaign undertaken in this community.

"In our county, as in thousands of other American communities conducting Heart Fund campaigns, diseases of the heart and circulation are responsible for about 47 per cent of all deaths," said Hageman in accepting the chairmanship.

"This fact in itself is convincing proof that the heart diseases are the foremost local health problem, as well as the foremost national health problem."

"A major portion of the funds contributed will be retained locally to advance the heart program in

this community and this state, while the remainder will go to support nationwide research, education and community service programs of the American Heart Association," he continued.

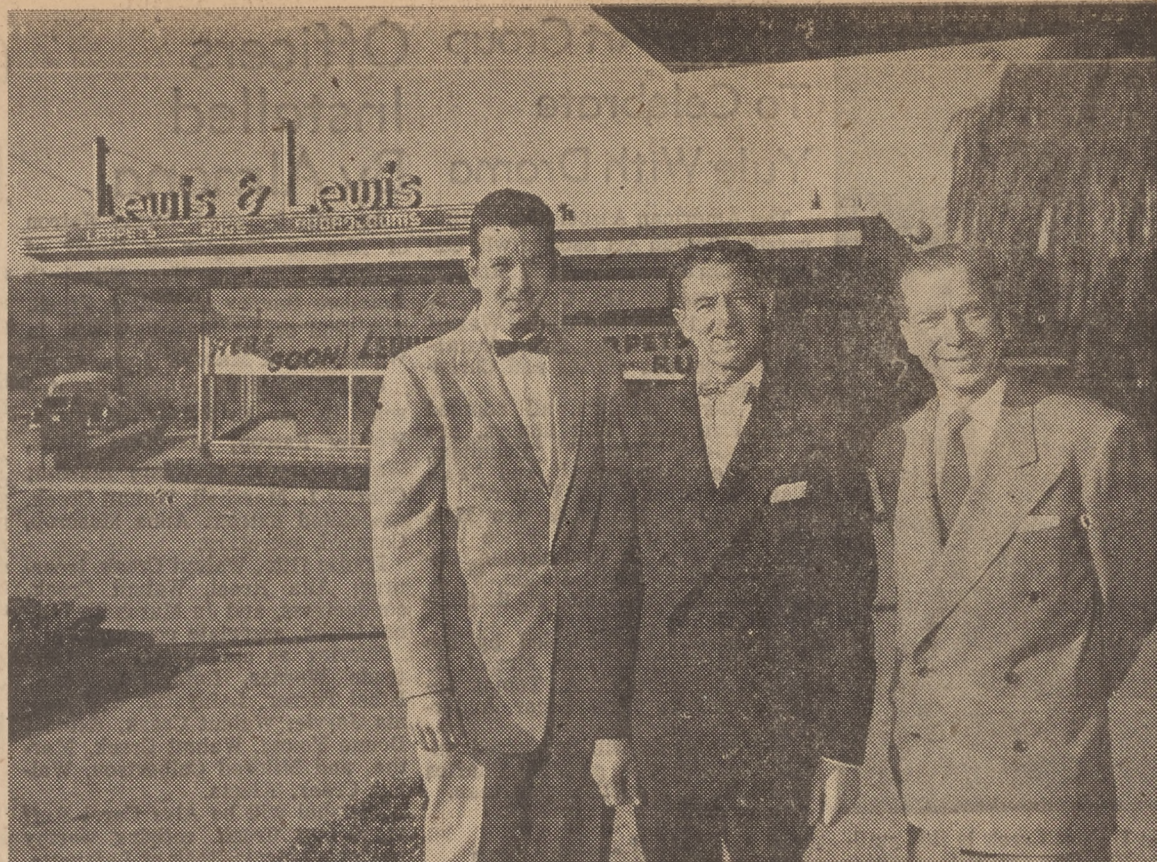
"We have every reason to be confident that the 1955 Heart Fund campaign will receive the enthusiastic backing of every thoughtful citizen in the community," he added.

New Therapy Center Site Lease Ordered

A lease covering four acres of land for use by Mt. Diablo Therapy Center for its new building is now being drawn up by Concord Community Hospital District.

For \$500 a year, the center will have the use of a site on Golf Course Road. It will also have an option to buy the land for \$2200 per acre during the next five years, the price paid by the district.

In addition, the agreement provides that the amount paid may apply on a possible purchase and that two acres of the land may be used for a County Health Department Building.



TED STEIN, MANAGER, Clifford G. Lewis, owner, and J. Ward Wilkinson, advertising counsellor, in front of new Lewis & Lewis store, 3406 Mt. Diablo Boulevard, Lafayette.

New Lewis & Lewis Carpet Store Opens Monday at 3406 Mt. Diablo Boulevard

Lewis & Lewis, carpet specialists, open their third store Monday in Lafayette.

The location, 3406 Mt. Diablo Boulevard, is familiar to those who drive through this shopping area. Its "walls of glass" have made the building a show-place among stores.

DESIGNED BY well-known East Bay architect Frederick Confer, the store has won many national and foreign awards for design and has been frequently pictured in magazines.

Its more than 12,000 square feet area is almost entirely enclosed in glass so that displays are viewed in daylight.

Clifford G. Lewis and Melville Lewis, owners of Lewis & Lewis, explain that a large percentage of the company's sales originates in the Lafayette-Walnut Creek-Orinda area. They stated, "This new location will enable us to serve our clientele throughout Contra Costa County more effectively and will bring our customers within easy reach of the same wide selections we offer in our Oakland and San Francisco stores."

PARKING FACILITIES have been provided with an eye to even greater expansion of business in the new store, and a large staff will serve under the direction of Manager Ted Stein.

According to Clifford G. Lewis, nationally advertised carpets from the country's finest mills will be displayed in full rolls so customers may see how their floor coverings will look in their own homes.

"Only first quality carpets will be handled in Lafayette and complete selections of colors and types will always be available," he said.

ALL SERVICING is done in Lewis & Lewis' own shop where the finest craftsman are employed for laying, binding and mothproofing carpets.

For the Monday opening, store hours will be noon to 9 p.m. and many special features are planned, including orchids for visitors. The Lewis' and their staff said they will welcome community leaders and are looking forward to greeting their old friends and meeting new ones.

Lewis has been associated with the carpet business in the Bay Area for 33 years.

Lewis & Lewis is known for carrying many exclusive patterns in fine carpets. The entire weaving of a well-known mill has often been purchased to bring customers values.

The new store will handle a complete line of fine broadloom carpets for both modern and traditional homes and will also feature a wide selection of imported hand-hooked rugs. The latter includes small scatter rugs.

The new store is one-third mile east of central Lafayette on Mt. Diablo Boulevard. Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Lewis have lived in Lafayette 12 years. Their home is in Happy Valley.

Builder Predicts 1955 Home Boom

The big swing toward home ownership gained momentum in this area during 1954 and present indications are that 1955 home buying may smash all existing records, according to Kermit L. Lincoln, president of the General Contractors Assn. of Contra Costa County, Inc.

In a year-end review and forecast of conditions in the local housing market, the building official estimated that 6,500 new housing units were put under construction in the Contra Costa County area during the past 12 months.

"If the supply of mortgage money continues to flow in sufficient volume to permit full use of the liberal provisions of the new National Housing Act, 1955 probably will see even greater production in this area," Lincoln said.

"The intensive post-war research that has been carried on by the home building industry and the allied industries which supply it with materials and equipment will pay off in a big way for the 1955 home buyer," he said.

"The public not only will find a greater choice of new homes, but they also will find that 1955 homes will be better designed and better equipped to provide more real value than ever before. And the trend toward roomier, more colorful homes planned to meet the living needs of today's families will be more pronounced in 1955."

Faulkner to Head Deputies' Group

Investigator William Faulkner of Walnut Creek has been elected to succeed Earl Falkenstrom of Concord as president of Contra Costa County Deputy Sheriff's Association.

Other officers will be George Halter, vice president; Joseph Walsh, recording secretary; Stanley Cahill, financial secretary, and Thaddeus Ormes, Glenn Porter, Francis Christman, William McAndrews and John Walsh, executive committee.

Making plans for an installation dinner January 18 are Glen Marsh, Ormes, Falkenstrom and Faulkner.

YES, YOU CAN do something about taxes, government, local problems. Keep informed, participate, and vote.

Camp Stoneman Stockade Plans Are Abandoned

Plans to use Camp Stoneman stockade as a rehabilitation camp for boys were abandoned Tuesday by the County Board of Supervisors.

However, the board indicated it would continue to search for a site for such a camp, although it may not be forthcoming immediately.

Their action followed receipt of a letter from Senator William Knowland that said the stockade could not be leased at a "nominal" sum. The Army has asked \$14,000 yearly rental.

Supervisor Warren Buchanan commented, "This late in the game, we don't even have \$14,000" to spend on a rehabilitation camp this year.

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Heart Fund Receives \$1167 This Year

A total of \$1167.10 has already been received for the Memorial Heart Fund, announced Mrs. Ian Strange, treasurer of the Contra Costa County Heart Association.

With holiday season, additional memorials are anticipated to swell this amount, said Mrs. Strange.

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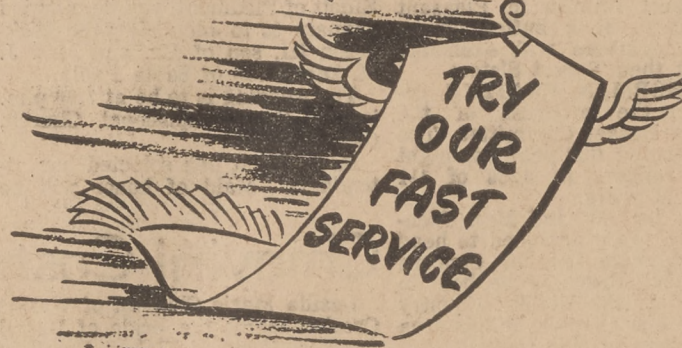
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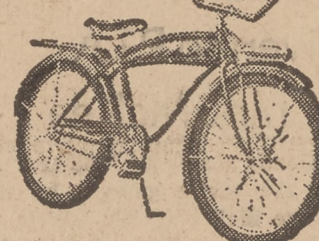
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LEGAL NOTICE

RESOLUTION OF INTENTION NO. 864

IN THE MATTER OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF SANITARY SEWERS AND APPURTENANCES IN LOCAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 31.

RESOLVED by the District Board of the CENTRAL CONTRA COSTA SANITARY DISTRICT that it is the intention of the said District Board to order the following work to be done and improvements to be made in above Local Improvement District in the CENTRAL CONTRA COSTA SANITARY DISTRICT, County of Contra Costa, State of California, to-wit:

Construction of sanitary sewers and appurtenances.

Such above mentioned work being more particularly and specifically set forth and described in the plans, profiles and specifications for said work heretofore adopted by the District Board of the CENTRAL CONTRA COSTA SANITARY DISTRICT by its Resolution No. 861, which plans, profiles and specifications are hereby referred to for all particulars in connection therewith and by reference made a part hereof.

The public streets, rights-of-way, easements and reserves in which said work is to be done are shown and delineated in detail and speci-

cally located on the plans hereinabove referred to, and reference is hereby specifically made to said plans, and notice is hereby given to all parties that specific locations thereof are contained in said plans: Such locations being:

In the following streets, easements and reserves in said Sanitary District and in said Local Improvement District as they and the proposed work in relation thereto are shown on Sheet 1 of said plans and specifications:

MORAGA HIGHWAY, from Engineer's station 11 plus 14 to be located therein, at the intersection of Moraga Highway with the southwesterly extension of the southeasterly line of Lot 34, Moraga Park, filed June 7, 1941 in Map Book 25, at page 816, in the office of the Recorder of the County of Contra Costa, State of California, to RI 1 to be located therein, 15 feet southeasterly from the intersection of Moraga Highway with the southwesterly extension of the line between Lots 1 and 2, Moraga Midlands, filed August 21, 1945, in Volume 28 of Maps, at page 1, of said County.

ALSO, in Moraga Highway, from the line hereinabove described, thirteen lateral extensions to the property lines of properties fronting on said Moraga Highway and as shown on sheet 1 of said plans and specifications.

OAK DRIVE, from its northeastern extremity at its intersection with Moraga Highway, to Engineer's station 0 plus 40 to be located therein, 28 feet southeasterly, measured along the center line of said Oak Drive, from said northern extremity.

ALSO, in Oak Drive, from the line hereinabove described, one lateral extension to the property line of the property fronting on the southeast side of said Oak Drive and as shown on sheet 1 of said plans and specifications.

EASEMENT, (Parcel 1) in Rancho Laguna De Los Palos Colorados, being a portion of that real property as described in the deed to George Hartzell, et ux, recorded June 7, 1949, under Recorder's Serial No. 20076, in Volume 1396 of Official Records at page 465, of said County, described as follows:

A strip of land 10 feet in width the western line of which is parallel with and 10 feet westerly, measured at right angles from the eastern line, said eastern line being described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the western line of Lot 19, Moraga Midlands, filed August 21, 1945, in Volume 28 of Maps, at page 1, of said County, said point bears north 21° 42' 10" east, 20.00 feet from the southwestern corner of said Lot 19, Moraga Midlands; thence from said point of beginning south 21° 42' 10" west along said eastern line of said Hartzell parcel (1396 O.R. 465) to the northern line of Moraga Highway.

ALSO, the construction of sanitary sewers and appurtenances, in accordance with said plans and specifications outside of said Lo-

cal Improvement District No. 31 and inside of Local Improvement District No. 14, and in the following streets and easements within said Sanitary District as they and the proposed work in relation thereto are shown on Sheet 1 of said plans and specifications.

MORAGA HIGHWAY, from existing MH located therein, 6 feet southeasterly from the intersection of Moraga Highway with the southwesterly extension of the center line of Glorietta Boulevard, to said Engineer's Station 11 plus 14.

ALSO, in Moraga Highway from the line hereinabove described, four lateral extensions to the property lines of properties fronting on the south side of said Moraga Highway and as shown on sheet 1 of said plans and specifications.

The office of the Recorder referred to hereinabove is the office of the Recorder of the County of Contra Costa, State of California, and Official Records and file numbers hereinabove referred to are Official Records and file numbers of said Recorder. The letters MH, RI, and LH, herein used refer to mean Manhole, Rodding Inlet, and Lamphole, respectively.

In the foregoing descriptions, the width of all easements described by reference to a center line is measured at right angles.

In the foregoing descriptions, wherever right-of-way, easement, street, or other public way is described wherein work is to be done, it is the intention that said work shall also be extended so as to connect the same with existing sewers or sewer work to be constructed nearest to said right-of-way, easement, street, or other public way, and at the point in said proposed work where a manhole, rodding inlet, or other construction is shown on said Plans therefor, unless otherwise shown thereon.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that such sanitary sewers and appurtenances be constructed in said streets, easements, reserves, avenues, roads, lanes, courts, places and/or public ways hereinabove described, of the dimensions, materials, and in the particular locations set forth and shown on the plans and specifications and detailed drawings hereinabove and hereafter referred to; together with the construction of all appurtenances thereto, including necessary fittings, trenching, grading and fill, removal of obstructions, connections to existing services, back filling, reconstruction of existing ground surface as required to conditions existing prior to commencement of construction, all in the manner, of the materials and to the grades, and in the particular locations as the same are more fully shown on the plans and specifications and detailed drawings hereinabove and hereafter referred to;

That the structures and work and improvements herein described shall be constructed to the grades, sub-grades and elevations severally shown upon the plans and profiles and detailed drawings thereof, in which plans and profiles reference is hereby expressly made for a description of the grades to which all of the work and improvements under this Resolution of Intention shall be done, which said grades are hereby adopted and established as the official grades therefor for all purposes in connection with proceedings pursuant to this Resolution of Intention; notice is hereby further given that said grades are or may be, in part, new and different from those heretofore established or existing, or may be, and in some cases are, different from existing ground levels;

All of said work and improvements shall be done to the lines and grades as shown on the plans and profiles and in accordance with the plans and specifications heretofore referred to for the doing of said work and improvement, and which are now on file in the office of the Secretary of the District Board.

Excepting from all of the herein described work all of said work that has already been done to the lines and grades shown on said plans and profiles, and in accordance with said plans and specifications.

The attention of all persons is directed to the fact that all of said classes of work above described may not be constructed upon all of the streets and/or public ways above described in their entirety, but only upon the particular locations as shown on the plans and

specifications, to which the attention of all persons is directed for a description of the work, location of the several classes of work, a description of the classes of work to be done upon each of the several public streets or rights-of-way named, a description of the streets and rights-of-way, and for all other information contained in the said plans and specifications pertinent to the doing and completion of the work and improvements herein proposed; and

WHEREAS, said contemplated work and improvements, in the opinion of this District Board, is of more than local or ordinary public benefit, said District Board hereby makes the expenses and costs of said work and improvements chargeable upon a district, which said district said District Board hereby declares the district benefited by the work and improvements herein described; and which is to be assessed to pay the cost and expenses thereof; said district shall include that territory in the central Contra Costa Sanitary District, County of Contra Costa, State of California, which is shown on that certain plat or map on file in the office of the Secretary of the District Board, and which is set forth as the "Map Showing Proposed Assessment District Boundary for the Improvement of the Central Contra Costa Sanitary District, County of Contra Costa, State of California," and which said map or plat indicates, by a boundary line, the extent of the territory included in the proposed district and covers all details as to the extent of the area to be assessed; said map or plat is, by this reference incorporated herein and made a part hereof;

Excepting from the area shown and delineated on said map or plat, hereinabove referred to, the area of all public streets, avenues, lanes, roads, driveways, courts, places, public parks, and all easements and rights-of-way therein contained belonging to the public.

That the proceedings for said work and improvement shall be had and taken under and in accordance with Division 7 of the Streets and Highways Code of the State of California ("Improvement Act of 1911").

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Health Officer of said County of Contra Costa has recommended in writing to said Board that said proceedings for said work be instituted as a necessary health measure, and said Board heretofore ordered said recommendation spread upon the Minutes of said Board and by Resolution adopted by the affirmative vote of four-fifths of the members of said Board found and determined that such necessity exists.

That serial bonds shall be issued pursuant to Part 5 of Division 7 of said Streets and Highways Code (Improvement Act of 1911) to represent the unpaid assessments of Twenty-Five Dollars (\$25.00) or over for the cost of said work, said bonds to bear interest at the rate of SIX PER CENT (6%) per annum, to extend for a period of nine (9) years from the second day of January next succeeding the next 15th day of October following their date, said bonds and the interest thereon to be payable as provided in said Code.

That at the hour of 8:00 o'clock p.m., January 13, 1955, and at the meeting place of said Board, 1822 Mt. Diablo Boulevard, City of Walnut Creek, in the County of Contra Costa, State of California, be and the same are hereby fixed as the time and place when and where any and all persons having any objection to the proposed work and improvement, the grades thereof, or to the extent of the district to be assessed, or all thereof, may appear before said Board and show cause why said proposed work should not be carried out in accordance with this Resolution of Intention, and may present written protest, not later than the hour hereinabove set for hearing, against the doing of said work, the grades thereof, or to the extent of the territory to be assessed to pay the cost and expenses thereof.

That the Engineer of said District shall cause to be conspicuously posted along the line of said work and improvement in the manner and form required by law, notices of the passage of this Resolution.

That the Secretary of said Board shall certify to the passage of this Resolution and shall cause the

same to be published twice, as required by law, in the Orinda Sun, a newspaper published and circulated within said District and hereby designated for that purpose by said Board. The first publication of said notice shall be made not less than ten (10) days prior to the date herein fixed for hearing on this Resolution of Intention.

Said District Board does hereby direct its Secretary to mail notices of the adoption of this Resolution of Intention postage prepaid to all persons owning real property proposed to be assessed for the work herein described, whose names and addresses appear on the last equalized assessment roll for taxes of the County of Contra Costa or as known to the Clerk, the contents of said notices and preparation and mailing to be as required by law, and to be completed at least fifteen (15) days prior to such hearing.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the District Board of CENTRAL CONTRA COSTA SANITARY DISTRICT of Contra Costa County, State of California, this 16th day of December, by the following called vote:

AYES: Members: Mitchell, Fisher, Spiegel, Salfinger and Roemer.

NOES: Members: None.

ABSENT: Members: None.

/s/ IRVING C. ROEMER

President of the District

Board of Central Contra Costa Sanitary District of Contra Costa County, State of California.

COUNTERSIGNED:

/s/ CLAUDE M. MCPHEE

Secretary of the District

Board of Central Contra Costa Sanitary District of Contra Costa County, State of California.

O-472. Orinda Sun, Dec. 24, 31.

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON AN APPLICATION FOR A LAND USE PERMIT

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED, that on Wednesday, January 5, 1955, at the hour of 7:30 P.M. of said day, in the meeting room of the Administration Building, corner of Pine & Escobar Streets, Martinez, Calif., THE BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT will consider the application of Kenneth Freeman for a permit for 10 ft. set back for storage room as provided under THE ZONING ORDINANCE of the COUNTY OF CONTRA COSTA.

The property above referred to is described as follows, to-wit: Descriptive parcel 1.68 acres on south side of El Toyonal approx. 80 ft. west of Lot No. 66 Resubdivision of Lots F-M-L, Orinda Park Terrace Subd'n.

J. P. CONNORS, Chairman of Contra Costa County Planning Commission O-471, Orinda Sun, Dec. 24, 1954.

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The property above referred to is described as follows, to-wit: Lot 22, Moraga Meadows Unit No. 2 and a 4.65 Ac. parcel adjacent to Lot 20, Moraga Gardens Unit No. 1, being a portion of Lot 71, Rancho Laguna De Los Palos Colorados.

J. P. CONNORS, Chairman of Contra Costa County Planning Commission O-470, Orinda Sun, Dec. 24, 1954.

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2 BEDROOM furnished or unfurnished house. Available Dec. 20th. YE 4-6537.

2 AND 3 ROOM furnished apartments, \$50 and \$65 plus utilities. No dogs. YE 4-6537.

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25. RENTALS WANTED

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WOMEN ATTENTION: Can you beat these prices? 1 lb. Alta Coffee, 89c; 1st Quality Butter, 49c lb.; Lindsay Olives, 19c; C&H Sugar, 9c lb. . .

Will Pirates Cop Prep Basketball League Pennant?

The prep basketball teams are at a standstill over the holiday season. The big question is: Who will cop the pennant?

Opening league games take place January 21, which is nearly a month away, and that makes any predictions doubly difficult, inasmuch as teams will have more practice games under their belts and coaches can do lots of changing between now and league play.

On the basis of experience and depth, Pittsburg rates the choice to finish on top of the heap.

TO DATE the Pirates have impressed with their individual ability, particularly in the shooting angle, but their evident weakness is a lack of sound team play.

Their defense is sketchy and they lack team finesse.

The big question is: Who can beat them?

THE ANSWER could be Acalanes and Diablo.

The Dons have displayed sound team play and good average shooting, with the possible exception of the tournament play, in which they were at their worst.

Not too much depth and the loss of John Conly via the injury route have hurt the Dons.

COACH JEAN RIDLEY has been busy building up adequate replacements and coaching team fundamentals, and much of the Dons' success depends on how the reserves develop.

Mt. Diablo's Red Devils have depth and must be contended with, as far as pennant hopes are concerned.

THE DEVILS have won a number of close ones to date and they are probably a little ahead of others as far as team play is concerned.

The question is: How much more will they improve?

Last year's Bee team came up practically intact, and it has been pointed out that the Bees could well be at their peak a bit too early.

ANTIOCH CAN'T do much except improve. The Panthers appear to be at a low ebb and will probably have their troubles when it comes to getting into the win column.

Look for them to play slow, deliberate ball-control games and probably pull an upset or two along the way, but not a pennant victory.

LAS LOMAS is still in the growing stages and seems to lack the scoring power necessary to win consistently.

Coach Merrill Callow has done a good deal of experimenting, such as moving Arne Lundquist to a forward spot on offense, and no doubt will find a good, workable unit.

SPORTS

Sideline Slants

Plan Now Under Way for Formation of Local Little League Baseball Circuit

By ERWIN MATTSON

A PLAN IS DEFINITELY under way to form a local Little League Baseball circuit.

The Little League movement has been a national one that has spread like wildfire. A little "World Series" is played between the country's two top teams each year.

Teams operated in the local area on an informal basis last year, with the number limited due to lack of sufficient facilities and managing personnel.

LOOK FOR THE program to be expanded and placed on a league basis next spring!

The national body has specific rules, one of which is that a boy is out as soon as he reaches his 14th birthday. Also, no team can have more than two 13-year-olds on its roster.

Another rule is that a boy must be under 13 in order to pitch.

ALL OF THIS is done with the idea of safety, as the bases are but 60 feet apart and the pitcher's box is 40 feet from home plate, which is approximately a third less than the regulation hardball diamond.

All batters must wear safety helmets and use Little League bats, which are miniature models of the Big League bats.

Players wear canvas shoes with rubber spikes, and no stealing is allowed.

THE WHOLE THING is very well organized and gives the young player a wonderful background in player experience, for which there is no substitute.

Some of the "Puritans" have cried that it is overemphasis and that a growing child is frustrated by competition. Sometimes I wonder if it isn't the "Puritans" who are frustrated.

Watch any growing boy and see if he isn't striving to excel, whether it be jumping a fence or throwing a rock.

Little League ball provides a wholesome outlet for a young boy's energy and fulfills a need, more urgent than ever in this great mechanical age of ours.

It is also hoped that a ball program can be worked out for those in the 14-year-old age group, if enough boys show interest, a league of their own can be formed, perhaps increasing the base distance to 65 or 70 feet and moving the pitcher's box back in proportion.

Youngsters to Open Basketball Season Jan. 8

With Flag Football a thing of the past, the Walnut Creek Recreation Commission begins a season of Junior Basketball January 8.

Junior basketball is open to all boys in grades 6, 7, and 8 from the Walnut Creek Elementary School District and Las Lomas High School.

Elementary School boys interested in basketball should be on hand at Las Lomas High Gym January 8 at 9:30 a.m., according to Al Haven and Ken Mavor, directors of sports for the Walnut Creek Recreation Commission.

Teams will be organized and play started at this time. High School students will organize and begin play at 11:30 the same morning.

The directors remind all boys that tennis or basketball shoes must be worn while participating in sports at the Las Lomas Gym.

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SUN VALLEY SOCIALS

By Libby Langdell

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Social events with the accent on youth activities in Sun Valley are in the news this week.

BLUEBIRDS MAKE GIFTS

Girls in all four of the Sun Valley Bluebird Groups have been making gifts to surprise their parents on Christmas Day. Each group had a special Christmas celebration to wind up activities until after the holidays.

BLUEBIRD DAISIES had a Christmas party on Tuesday, December 14, at the Hilton Road home of their guardian, Mrs. Floyd Burror. They trimmed a Christmas tree with ornaments they had made, then sent the tree along with the class trees from Montecito to be enjoyed by patients at the County Hospital.

The party included a gift exchange, carol singing and refreshments for Daisies Jo Ann Jacobson, Jeanne Ann Schmidt, Sheryl Donaldson, Ann Crouch, Leslie Cook, Marsha Barber, Diana Grimm, Diana Burror, Shelley Wilkes and Judy Hadden.

TWINKLING BLUEBIRDS were busy on Wednesday the 15th at the Jeff Foster home on Westminster Place, where they decorated a tree with handmade ornaments, displayed the table decorations they had made, finished wrapping parents' gifts, exchanged gifts for each other, and enjoyed refreshments furnished by their mothers.

Twinkling Bluebirds are Suzanne Carter, Pat, Spingola, Jeannine Yeomans, Vicki Foster, Susan Lambert, Marjorie Melgreen, Mary McMurdo, Barbara Breeden and Judy Newman.

HAPPY SMILING BLUEBIRDS were greeted December 13 by Guardian Mrs. Arthur Symonds, at her home on Newell Avenue, for an afternoon of carols, gifts and refreshments.

The girls presented Mrs. Symonds and their other guardian, Mrs. Lloyd Barrett, with attractive corsages for Christmas. Members are Susan Barrett, Wanda Barber, Paula Corsi, Vicki Halbert, Diane Mattos, Marilyn Millett, Judy Morris, Marsha Page, Louise Symonds, Patty Terry, Judy Lehr and Kathy Walker.

BLUEBIRDS ended their pre-Christmas activities early December 9 on Sunset Loon with their guardian, Mrs. Richard Kroninger. They completed their gifts and wrapped them all, then relaxed over cups of hot chocolate and roasted marshmallows.

These early birds were Kitty Terry, Kathy McMurdo, Judy Balinovich, Joy Dale, Susan Kroninger, Kathy Trannell, Diane Tice

BROWNIES WORK, THEN PLAY

All three patrols of Brownie Troop 204 gathered at the Kinney Drive home of Patrol Leader Mrs. Jack Dole for a Christmas party on the sixteenth. First they had a tree decorating session with the ornaments they had made. This was followed by a gift exchange and carol singing.

The mothers furnished refreshments and had made little favors for the girls. Troop 204 has Mrs. Orville Morrow for its leader, and Kim Giles, Toni Dole, Coleen Moore, Carol Morrow, Kathleen Reiben, Carol Sherlock, Diane Stern, Karen Winn, Ann Paduck, Linda Winters, Margie Ann Raynes, Janet Barr and Christine Johnston.

TROOP 22 OF BROWNIES had the bad luck to have many of its members on the sick list, so the girls could not plan a party. Those Brownies who were up and about held a windup meeting last week on Newell Avenue with their leader, Mrs. Dale Hadden, where they completed gifts for parents. Regular members of Troop 22 are Alexandra Cooke, Marilyn Davis, Pamela Gaines, Trudy Harden, Leslie Mayland, Emily Merrill, Marilyn Parker and Elizabeth Busch.

TROOP 296, Sun Valley's newest group of Brownies, made a big thing of the troop's first Christmas, with a party at the El Cortijo home of their leader, Mrs. Vern Baugardner.

They, too, finished gifts for parents, then had fun exchanging their own gifts. This was followed by special refreshments and a session of games. The members, all first rate girls in the second grade at school, are Mary Kay Baumgardner, Kathy Dods, Mary Gill, Linda Hale, Betty Moore, Linda Krebs, Janet Stromgren and Renee Wing.

GIRL SCOUTS GO PLACES

TROOP 162 of Intermediate Scouts had a party December 16 at the home of their leader, Mrs. Barney Asbury, on Kinney Drive. They made Christmas decorations for their own trees at home and exchanged gifts. Mesdames Guiffre and Nelson brought refreshments for the girls.

This troop, cooperating with Troop 168, performed a real Scout service December 14 when they served as baby sitters at the PTA Tea at Montecito School. Members now making plans for a potluck supper to be held at the Asbury home December 30 are Bonnie Asbury, Dorette Eselius, Alice Gray, Carol Guiffre, Vicki Tronoff, Linda Nelson, Patty Sherman and Penny Krebs.

INTERMEDIATE TROOP 168 had its Christmas festivities with their leader, Mrs. Ross Reagan, at her home on El Cortijo Boulevard. They had gifts to finish and then enjoyed party refreshments. They cooperated with Troop 162 December 14 at the Montecito PTA tea, assisting mothers of pupils who had pre-schoolers with them.

Scouts in Troop 168 are Linda Axelson, Marcia Allen, Lynn Stiller, Bernadette Wallentin, Sylvia Tapia, Barbara Gill, Carol Reiben, Rosemary Reagan, Shirley Schrupp, Susan Ainsworth and Beth Nethery.

NEWS FROM SCOTLAND

Reverend and Mrs. Gene Wallace, who have been in Scotland for 15 months where he is studying at the University of Edinburgh, are becoming more and more anxious to return to California. In a letter to one of their former neighbors here, Mrs. Wallace has little to say in favor of the climate, as they can't put away winter clothing, even in the summer. She longs for our sunshine as well as our super-markets.

Rev. Wallace had a trip to the Holy Land and back through Europe during the summer, while she had a bus tour and later a motor trip through Europe. They celebrated Thanksgiving with two other American couples but had to do without some of the essentials such as cranberries, sweet potatoes and

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BEATS CHRISTMAS RUSH

Bruce Jonas, who was eight just four days before Christmas, decided to celebrate December 11 before the Christmas rush began. He had luncheon at the Acacia Road home of his parents, the Herman Jonas', for a group of friends, followed by a movie at Roadmo, followed by a movie in Walnut Creek.

Having an afternoon of fun were Jeff Harper, David Stephenson, Kit Hansen, Stephen Hull, Phil Trembath, Harry Nethery and Gary Kramer.

TEACHERS PRESENT PROGRAM

Recently members of Montecito PTA had a hilarious time at their Christmas meeting, held at the school in the afternoon. The teachers presented the program, which included singing of the carol, "Deck the Halls" with new and appropriate words by Mrs. Jim Graves.

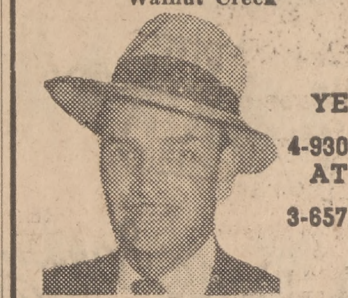
This was followed by community singing of carols in which the whole group joined, and then Santa Claus, who seemed to bear a marked resemblance to Mr. Carlson, presented each teacher with the gift he or she most desired for Christmas.

More laughter from the parents present.

(More holiday activities of Sun Valley residents and youngsters will appear in next week's SUN. — Ed. note)

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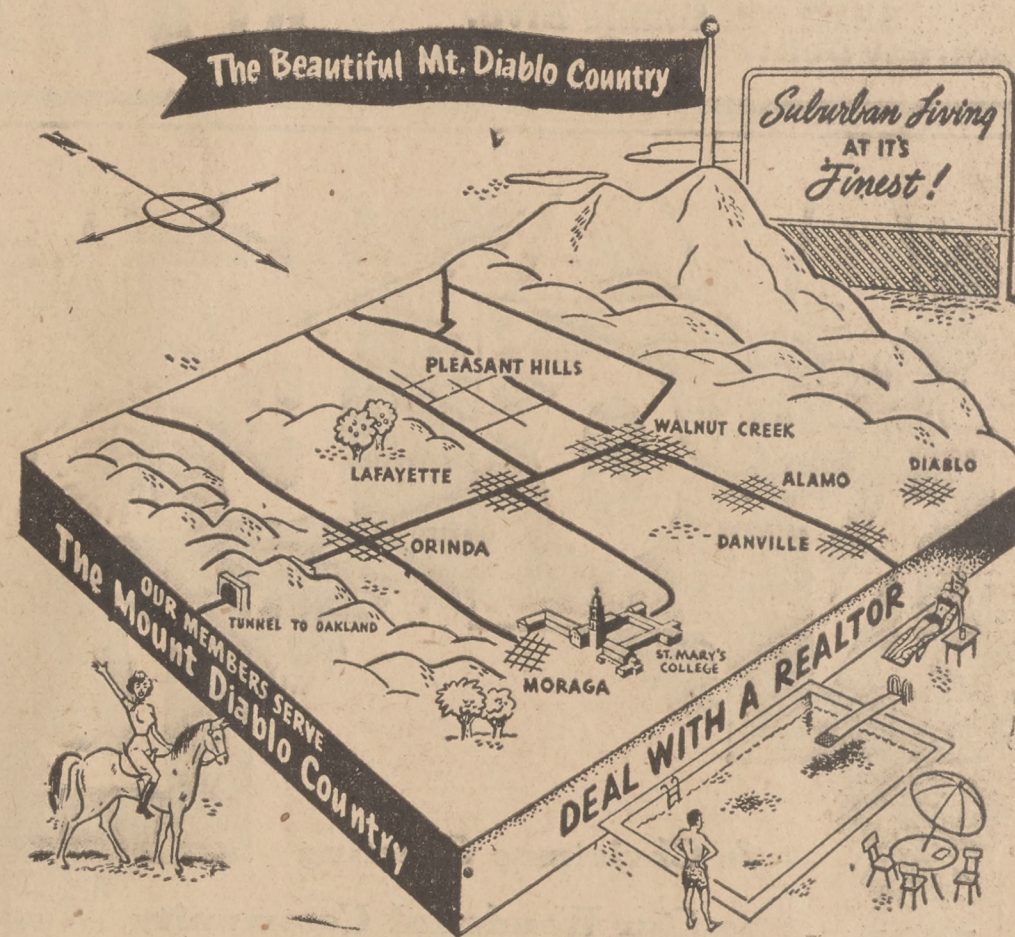
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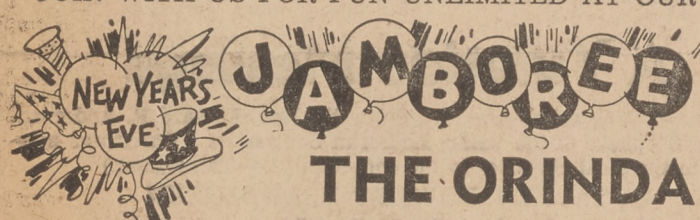
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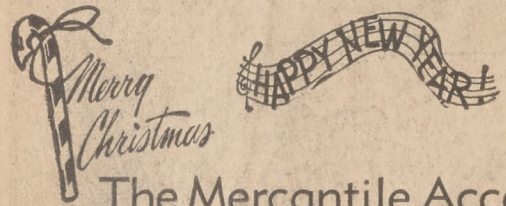
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A Christmas Message for You

(The following article has been written by the Rev. Chester R. Lewis, pastor of Lafayette Community Methodist Church, as a Christmas message from the local churches to the community. — The Editor.)

By The REV. CHESTER R. LEWIS

Pastor, Lafayette Community Methodist Church

The poet has said, "The heart in which Christmas is truly kept is a gentle heart. It is full of kindly thoughts and inspirations. It wishes ill to none, but good to all. Then its good wishes blossom into fruit."

Probably the "Gentle Heart" is about as accurate an expression of the true meaning of Christmas as could be found. Certainly the Christ, whose birthday Christmas celebrates, was a man of the Gentle Heart who wanted nothing more than that God's children should live fruitfully and happily together.

Jesus was born of peasant parents, worked in his father's carpenter shop, went out to proclaim the "Good News," was rebuffed, beaten and scourged; yet hanging on the Cross he revealed the majesty of God's divine love and forgiveness — "Father forgive them for they know not what they do."

JESUS IS NOT MERELY an example to us. He revealed the divine love that is in the heart of every man and every woman of us, and we act like ourselves when we walk with kindness and with the "Gentle Heart."

Phillips Brooks once said, "No man or woman of the humblest sort can really be strong, gentle, pure, and good without the world being better for it, without someone being helped and comforted by the very existence of that Goodness."

This is true because we live in a moral world in which everything is related to everything. Love is the supreme reality and Jesus came that we might know the meaning of love in all its fullness and that there might be "Peace on Earth, Good Will toward men."

AS CHRISTMAS COMES to us each year, our faith is refreshed and we know that God does not despair. It should not spoil the spirit of Christmas to be reminded that we live in crucial days. We must be reminded again, and again, and again, that because God is a God of Love, a God of Order and Integrity, the turmoil of our time is but the buffeting of the forces of Evil against the Immutability of God and His universe.

When men think evil, chaos is the natural sequence. When men affirm that black is white and evil is good, we may be certain that God will assert himself. Thus there is Meaning as well as Method in the madness of our times. God justifies himself with the plumbline of Justice and Decency. Whatever is not plumb must face God's Inevitability and ultimate defeat.

Let us find, then, in Christmas, a renewed faith in the integrity of God. Let us be numbered among those who call white, white, and black, black, and not among those who

would vainly attempt to pervert the order of the universe.

Thomas Carlyle once said, "Jesus of Nazareth our Divine Symbol." It can truly be said that Jesus is "our Divine Symbol" for He revealed the heart of God, and in Him we have our clearest glimpse of the fundamental nature of the Universe.

AS THE FAMILIES of the fine community of Lafayette gather their children and loved ones about them, let them keep Christmas fittingly, in remembrance of Him. Every true vision of the day must show us the Holy Child. As we enter into the gladness of this happiest day of the year, may we think of the joy with which the angels celebrated the birth of Christ. As we yield our hearts to the spirit of tenderness which pervades the Christmas air, may we think of the Heavenly Love which came into this world the night that Jesus was born.

When we gather our families about us on Christmas Day the love that pervades our very Being is merely God expressing Himself; this is Man at his best; we are Being Ourselves; this is what we mean by the Kingdom of God upon Earth; this is the way to Peace.

"Glory to God in the highest, on earth peace, Good Will toward men."

(This Christmas message was written by the Rev. Roland Smith, president of the Central Contra Costa County Ministerial Association and pastor of the Pleasant Hill Community Baptist Church. — Ed. note)

By THE REV. ROLAND SMITH

It is our wish to everyone that this will indeed be a Merry Christmas. There are a few simple truths which one must learn to put into practice to make it just that for ourselves.

The first is that the direction of our activities in the Christmas season must be away from ourselves. This truth is one we should have learned long ago.

The Child of Bethlehem taught it to his followers: "It is more blessed to give than to receive." (Acts 20:35) His own life exemplified this truth. Do not all of us recognize that there is something wrong with a person who feels otherwise?

The second truth which we must put into practice to have a really Merry Christmas is that to express our love to God we have to direct our giving away from ourselves. Speaking of those who needed love and attention: the hungry, the thirsty, the strangers, the unclothed, the sick, the prisoner, our Master taught, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me." (Matt. 25:40)

To be certain that we are directing our giving away from ourselves and in a way that will express love to God, we must do it for those who are in no way able to return the gifts. Notice it was to those who obviously couldn't take care of their own needs.

There are many ways in which these can be put into practice. Contact your own church for the names of those in need, or for directions to those who have lists of persons you can help.

If you put these rules into practice it will be a Merry Christmas for everyone.

What They Say...

'When Do We Open All the Gifts?'

One of the bones of contention these days (besides the Christmas turkey's wishbone) is "Shall we open 'em now, or wait 'till Christmas morning?"

Some little prospectors have already dug their gifts out of the closet, but chances are that re-wrapping has taken place and the tree is in good shape. So the question is still there—when do we open the things?

A PHONE SAMPLE of area residents brought varied answers to

the question: "Does your family open its Christmas presents on Christmas Eve or Christmas morning?"

Most families, if our sample is valid, favor the morning for the big event.

Like the Robert Scrivani family of 1889 Barnett Circle, Lafayette. Mrs. Scrivani said, "We open them Christmas mornings. Santa Claus comes at night, you know."

IN DOUBT AS to whether their practice of opening the gifts on Christmas Eve is the best arrangement are the Hirsch Mortons of 3224 North Lucille, Lafayette.

"We've been opening them Christmas Eve out of habit for years, but sometimes I wonder if the other way is better," said Mrs. Norton.

The Walter Hartsoughs of 64 Valencia Road, Orinda, have tried both ways, but, says Walter, "This time it'll be Christmas morning. The kids get a good night's sleep and are in a better mood."

Mrs. Francis Kast of 22 Valencia Road, Orinda, said, "Christmas morning is more appropriate for the children. It's more exciting that way."

"We're going to do it Christmas Eve this year," replied Mrs. Walter N. Smith Jr. of 275 Stevenson Drive, Pleasant Hill.

BUT MRS. DONALD T. Tow of 275 Pleasant View Drive, Pleasant Hill, and her family are willing to wait. "Christmas morning," was her answer.

Agreeing with Mrs. Tow was Mrs. J. R. Whitlow of 1840 Poplar Drive, Walnut Creek. She said, "We always wait until Christmas morning."

"Normally Christmas Eve," said Paul K. Hutchins of 1134 Saranap Avenue, Walnut Creek. "Although," he added, "that isn't such a big item with us any more; we have no small children."

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Under The Sun

By Herman Silverman

Is Gambler Pechart active now?

Memo to Sheriff James Long, District Attorney Francis Collins and others who claim that Gambling Czar Bill Pechart is no longer active in Contra Costa County:

Almost all of the claw machines (illegal) in the county and a batch of the pin ball machines (legal and illegal) are owned and controlled by Pechart. He also has his hand in other interesting ventures which are against the law.

Long leaves office in January, which should be marked as another milestone toward achieving decent law enforcement and good government in the county. Other milestones must be reached but at least the goal is more clearly in view. Time, elections and progress are changing this county.

Does it really cost \$2.50?

Sig Groennings recently wrote me a note, at the top of which was pasted a clipping of a SUN filler:

"It costs you at least \$2.50 extra when you go through the tunnel to shop. Save at home!"

Mr. Groennings wrote in part, "Do you really believe that the 10 miles extra driving costs me at least two fifty? Local patriotism is praise-worthy but now I think you are insulting The SUN readers' intelligence." He added his trip was figured from Orinda to Russell at College in Berkeley.

Okay, let's go. Let's forget for the moment the inconvenience of bucking traffic for miles to shop in the Big Towns on the other side of the tunnel or the parking problems—which are still a lot tougher than ours.

Let's consider the average shopper going into downtown Oakland. Total mileage one way figures 12 to 18 miles, depending on where you live in Central Contra Costa County—and how long it takes to find a parking spot, etc. Let's say 15 miles—30 miles both ways.

Here are some cold facts

The California Automobile Association figures it costs you on an average of .0868 cents per mile. This is for an Eastbay motorist driving a light 1951 car about 10,000 miles annually (which is an average figure). The mileage figure, of course, will vary according to age, make and size of your car. Incidentally, the association calculates the car's fixed charges at .0515 cents per mile and operating costs at .0353 cents per mile. I have the exact breakdown for these figures.

Thus, if you travel 15 miles each way, it costs \$2.60. Parking usually costs something—let's say five cents for an hour on a parking meter to 25 or 35 cents an hour elsewhere. (Some of the merchants lots are free with tickets validated, etc.)

I believe the \$2.50 figure is low. What if you have to return a purchase?

Or what about Mrs. Jones who recently itemized her bill for a Christmas shopping tour in Oakland: Baby sitter, 6 hours, \$3; lunch for sitter, 30 cents; 30 miles, \$2.60; parking charges, 75 cents; salad and coffee for lunch, 75 cents—total \$7.40.

In any event, it COSTS money when you go through the tunnel to shop. And I'm happy to report a very great increase in local shopping. People who used to buzz into Oakland find what they want right here.

Well, enough of that. So, let me say for the staff of The SUN, "Merry Christmas, good health, success and happiness in the year to come."

A Yuletide Message

(The following article was written by the Rev. Edward R. Andersen, pastor of Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church, as a Christmas message from the local churches to the community. — The Editor.)

By The REV. EDWARD R. ANDERSEN

Pastor, Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church
When America ceases to be good, it will cease to be great. We Americans are all a part of the greatness which others see in America. However, human goodness and greatness are born out of struggle for the truth and righteousness of the Living God.

The Living God is present and active in the spirit of the child Jesus who was born to Mary and Joseph almost 2000 years ago. Many of the details of his life are not fully understood because his actions, his thoughts and his insight into everyday problems have astounded the minds of our greatest men.

His life combined the human qualities of an ordinary man with the divine attributes of God. He was both natural and supernatural. He spent his life in caring for the physical and spiritual needs of his friends and enemies with love. Although he was abused, mistreated and put to death, his life did not end in defeat. Through faith in God he conquered over the grave and gave those who believe in him hope in the coming of a new heaven and a new earth, where his spirit of love will reign forever and ever.

HAVE YOU EVER WONDERED what the world would be like if Christ had not come? There would be no season of rejoicing or gladness, no Christmas tree, no eager expectation, no reason for friendly greetings with families and friends, no gladness time for the poor and needy, no hope for the sick and suffering. In fact, December 25 would be only another day of the year.

If Christ had not come, there would be no Christian churches, no spires, no bells, no choirs, no good news to announce to the world. Men and women would still be burdened with the weight and crushing load of their anxieties, worries and fears, for inwardly they would be searching for help without receiving any comfort.

For if Jesus had not been born, the Bible would end with the book of Malachi. The books we prize the most would not have been written and the most beautiful passages would be a complete loss. There would be no hope of a future life, for without Christianity what assurance of a just and righteous God would you have?

THANKS BE TO GOD who gives us the power to believe we can share in the victory of His Son, Jesus, who said, "Let not your hearts be troubled; believe in God; believe also in me. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father in me; or else believe me for the sake of the words themselves." As you know, Jesus did many works which cannot be explained naturally. His divine nature showed through his human acts. His godly spirit of forgiveness and love penetrated through the evil intentions of men and his Holy Spirit which is now present and active in the hearts of people guides and directs the destiny of individuals and nations into all the truth. Who could know or understand truth without the guidance of God's Holy Spirit?

I believe the truth, pity, sympathy, love and hope; the things that make life glad and beautiful, were born with Jesus at Bethlehem and clarified with Christ on Easter morning.

WHAT THEN DOES IT MEAN when we say MERRY CHRISTMAS? Are we happy and glad with a real sense of joy in our hearts to God for the gift of His Son, or are we only expressing words that have lost their real meaning and have become filled with a pagan and sensual sense of merriness?

The merriness of God comes to us in worship, adoration and praise. So if you really wish to have and to give the spirit of Christmas to others, your heart, your home, your church and your community must be filled with a desire to worship Christ in spirit and in truth.

The greatness of America and its people is not found in America but it is found in the greatness of the Living God, the Christ Child whose birth we honor and revere.

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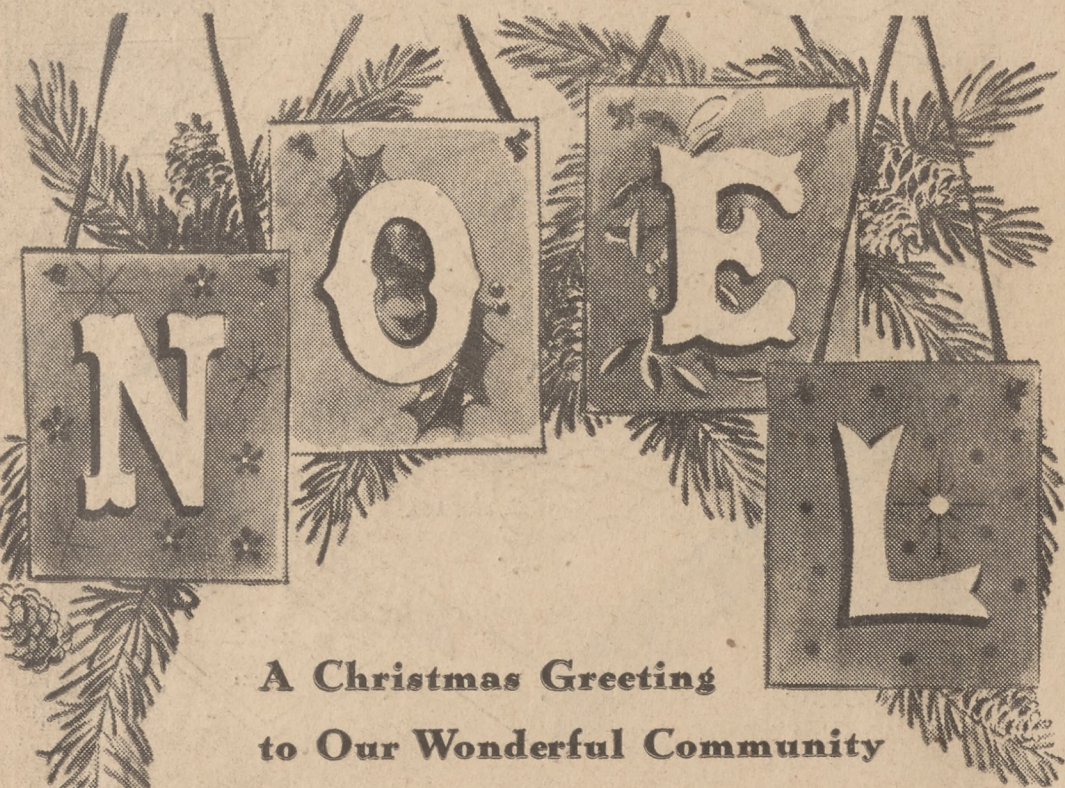
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